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Boston and Newton attorneys appointed co-chairs of Massachusetts Bar Association's Law Practice Management Section

Boston attorney Rodney S. Dowell and Newton attorney Andrea Goldman have been appointed by Massachusetts Bar Association President Valerie A. Yarashus as co-chairs of the association's Law Practice Management Section, for the 2009-10 year. Their terms began Sept. 1.

The MBA's Law Practice Management Section serves to assist members in sustaining an efficient, ethical and fulfilling law practice by sponsoring continuing education programs that counsel attorneys on how to start and continue to operate successful businesses, including areas of case management, technology and client selection and retention.

Dowell is director of the Massachusetts Law Office Management Assistance Program, which assists Massachusetts attorneys in establishing and institutionalizing professional office practices and procedures in order to increase their ability to deliver high quality legal services, strengthen client services and enhance their quality of life. Prior to starting LOMAP, he was a founding partner at the litigation firm of Berman & Dowell, where he focused on employment law, tort defense and insurance coverage from 1998 to 2007. He lives in Melrose.

Andrea Goldman is the principal at the Law Office of Andrea Goldman in Newton, where she focuses on helping parties resolve disputes in construction, homeowner/contractor, real estate and business matters through litigation, arbitration and mediation. Goldman also advises construction and corporate clients on contracts and other legal issues in managing their businesses. She is a member of the American Bar Association where she is the co-chair of the Construction Law Committee of the General Practice, Solo and Small Firm Division. She is also a member of the Women's Bar Association, and was co-chair of their Middlesex County Committee and runs a mentoring circle. She lives in Newton.

The MBA's 17 sections and Young Lawyers Division provide lawyers with up-to-date information on specific areas of law, monitor law-related legislation, sponsor professional education programs and provide information on the law for the general public.

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