

## REPORTS OF THE SECTIONS

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW SECTION

*William F. Devine, Chair*

At the Virginia State Bar Annual Meeting, the Local Government Law Section, working in conjunction with the Construction and Public Law Section, presented a session on indemnity and bonding issues on construction projects. The session was well-attended, and the speakers were excellent.

The section published four issues of the *Journal of Local Government Law*. We were fortunate to have Susan Custer's excellent work in putting the journal together, as well as the generous contributions of excellent and timely articles from experts on a wide variety of issues, including the rules pertaining to liquidated damage provisions in local government contracts (Steven Minor), legislation dealing with public/private facilities (Sandy McNinch), procurement (Greg Haley), tax reform efforts (Kevin Cosgrove), risk management (Adam Sielicki), pooling (Timothy Scott Ailsworth), bonding of local officers (Andy Herrick), the effect of HIPPA on local governments (Jim McElligott), city-to-town reversion (Carter Glass), residential service districts (Lesa Yeatts) and a legislative update at the end of the 2003 General Assembly session (Mark Flynn). We thank all of these authors for their valuable contributions.

We also thank Michael Packer, immediate past chair, for his "institutional memory" and helpful guidance. Our new slate of officers—Cynthia Hudson, chair; Mark Flynn, vice chair; and Kevin Cosgrove, secretary—are particularly well-suited for their positions and will lead the section during another exciting and rewarding year.

