

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, October 18, 2011 – 2 to 4 PM
Teleconference

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MINUTES

Committee Members: Cathy C. Church, Danielle D. Jackson, Jennifer Veronica Lamp, Mary M. Lovik, Ashley E. Lowe, Bruce E. Petrick, Eilisia G. Schwarz, Sarah R. Prout, Rebecca E. Shiemke

Board of Commissioners Member: Dana M. Warnez

SBM Staff: Robert Mathis, Carrie Sharlow

- I. Call to Order and Attendance
Each member gave brief biographical background.
- II. Congratulations to Lori Pourzan WLAM Award Recipient and Rebecca Shiemke, State Bar of Michigan Champion of Justice Award
- III. Membership Expectations
This is an active committee. Regular attendance is expected.
- IV. Proposed Committee Agenda Items
- V. Assignment to Subcommittees

Committee members should send an email to Carrie Sharlow, notifying her of their subcommittee interest.

Non-committee members can be on subcommittees.

1. Training and System Education
Upcoming MCADSV Incarcerated Survivors Best Practices Manual
Intimate Partner Sexual Assault
Dynamics of Domestic Violence, Pro Bono Recruitment Training October 2012
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
Domestic Violence in the Criminal and Civil Context
2. SCAO Family Mediation Best Practices Project
Follow-up is needed with Tim Coles to see if SCAO has completed a protocol on the topic.
3. Legislative Subcommittee
This subcommittee would review legislation referred to the Committee and recommend a position.

4. Personal Protection Orders

New Instructions for the PPO Forms

Access to Personal Protection Order in Rural Areas

The PPO Forms were changed as per this Committee. The instructions need to be changed to reflect the PPO changes.

Court submission due date is December 31, 2011.

Committee recommendations will need to go before SBM Board of Commissioners November 18, 2011.

Update on Movement to place PPO's in District Court and Committee position: the majority of domestic violence cases are in district court.

Some officers were so over-run with PPOs for stalking that when domestic violence PPOs came up, the officers lost patience.

VI. *Family Law Journal* Articles

1. Topic Suggestions

2. Volunteers for authors and editors

i. Assignments were given with corresponding due dates.

ii. Carrie Sharlow will send the committee members the list of previous articles.

VII. Public Policy Items

[2004-55 Proposed Amendment of Rule 3.211 of the Michigan Court Rules](#)

This proposed amendment would eliminate the requirement that the Supreme Court approve changes to the Uniform Support Order forms. Without explicit approval required by the Supreme Court, the forms would be updated like other forms that are revised on a regular basis within the State Court Administrative Office.

Issued: September 28, 2011

Comment period expiration: January 1, 2012

Due to a lack of time and quorum, this item will be tabled.

VIII. Schedule for Meetings for 2011/2012

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 2 to 4 pm. Committee meeting for 2011/2012 will generally occur via teleconference on the third Tuesday of each month, 2 to 4 pm.

A face-to-face meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2011, from 10 to 12 am, at the State Bar of Michigan.

IX. Adjournment