

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
2007-2008 ANNUAL REPORT
SPECIAL COMMITTEE
May 2008**

Committee Name: Special Committee on Custodial Interrogation Recording

Jurisdictional Statement:

Make recommendations concerning legislative, court rule, and funding changes that advance the use of audio and video electronic recording of custodial interrogations, and provide support for the adoption and implementation of changes approved by the Representative Assembly or Board of Commissioners.

Officers and Membership:

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2007-08 Meeting Schedule (date and location):

March 13, 2007 – State Bar of Michigan
May 9, 2007— State Bar of Michigan
November 19, 2007— State Bar of Michigan
March 12, 2008 – State Bar of Michigan

Resources Provided by the State Bar of Michigan in Support of Committee Work:

SBM staff provided assistance in researching grant opportunities and writing the MSBF grant.

Committee Activities:

Attended a presentation by a BIS Digital Vendor on March 13, 2007.
A subcommittee met with the research team from University of Michigan to discuss the methodology to be used in this research
Attended the Police Chief's conference in Grand Rapids to discuss the Pilot Project.
Finalized the SBM Pilot program.

Received grant funding from the MSBF and the SBM Criminal Law Section.
Finalized in the SBM Model Policy for Recording Audio/Visual Interrogations.
Val and Nancy met with Representative Steve Tobocman regarding HB 4909.
Started implementing the project in Jackson County and Eaton County.

Future Goals and Activities:

Continue with the implementation of the Pilot project with the help of a skilled research team from University of Michigan; Professor Sam Gross, Professor Pheobe Ellsworth, and Doctoral Candidate Katharine Knight.

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