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RE: ADM File No. 2012-06 – Proposed Amendment of Rule 9.221 of the Michigan Court Rules

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Dear Clerk Royster:

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At its July 26, 2013 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan considered the above rule amendment published for comment. In its review, the Board considered a recommendation from the Civil Procedure & Courts Committee. The Board voted to oppose the amendment. It is the opinion of the Board that if a matter does not rise to the level of a formal complaint, the right of privacy of the referee or magistrate supersedes the need to disclose information to the chief judge.

We thank the Court for the opportunity to convey the Board's position.

Sincerely,

Janet K. Welch
Executive Director

cc: Anne Boomer, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court
Bruce A. Courtade, President