

May 2, 2024

Larry S. Royster
Clerk of the Court
Michigan Supreme Court
P.O. Box 30052
Lansing, MI 48909

RE: ADM File No. 2023-36: Proposed Amendments of Rules MCR 3.901, 3.915, 3.916, 3.922, 3.932, 3.933, 3.935, 3.943, 3.944, 3.950, 3.952, 3.955, 3.977, and 6.931 and Proposed Addition of Rule 3.907 of the Michigan Court Rules

Dear Clerk Royster:

At its April 19, 2024 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan considered ADM File No. 2023-36. In its review, the Board considered recommendations from the Access to Justice Policy Committee, Criminal Jurisprudence & Practice Committee, and Children's Law Section. The Board voted unanimously to support the proposed amendments.

The Board previously reviewed the twenty-bill Justice for Kids and Communities legislative package and adopted positions supporting many of the bills. With nearly all of the legislation slated to become law effective October 1, 2024, the Board appreciates the Court's effort to ensure that the Michigan Court Rules are updated to align with the new statutes. This allows ample time for both the bench and the bar to become acquainted with the new rules before their implementation is required.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendments.

Sincerely,



Peter Cunningham
Executive Director

cc: Sarah Roth, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court
Daniel D. Quick, President

