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MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT'S PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE SET FOR MARCH 11; ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE COMMISSION PROPOSALS AND BUDGET ON AGENDA

LANSING, MI, March 10, 2010 – Subjects ranging from possible criminal procedure rule revisions to time standards for case processing are on the agenda for the [Michigan Supreme Court's](#) March 11 [public administrative conference](#) in Lansing.

The public conference will take place in the Court's courtroom on the 6th floor of the [Michigan Hall of Justice](#) in Lansing, starting at 9:30 a.m.

One proposal on the agenda (ADM 2007-11) concerns possible referrals to the [Attorney Grievance Commission](#) of attorneys found guilty of providing ineffective assistance of counsel to their clients. The Court is considering whether to set standards or guidelines for such discipline referrals, including cases where the attorney has admitted to providing ineffective representation. The Attorney Grievance Commission investigates and prosecutes attorney misconduct cases.

The Court will also consider whether to publish changes to court rules that govern attorney discipline proceedings. The proposed revisions, which were offered by the AGC and the State Bar of Michigan, would amend Michigan Court Rules 9.111 through 9.116. Also before the Court is the AGC's request for a mid-year budget supplement of \$66,000. The AGC is seeking the funding for a program that would monitor overdrafts of client accounts, and to develop new case management and document management systems.

Also on the public conference agenda:

- ADM 2010-01, Appointment of Chief Judge in Mecosta/Osceola Probate District Court. *Whether to appoint the Honorable Marco S. Menezes as chief judge of the Mecosta/Osceola Probate District Court to fill the vacancy that was created when Chief Judge LaVail E. Hull retired on 12/31/09.*
- ADM 2008-38, Proposed Amendment of Rule 6.201 of the Michigan Court Rules. *Whether to adopt the proposed amendment of MCR 6.201 with revisions as recommended by Justice Markman to clarify that any written or recorded statement includes electronically recorded statements and to clarify that the discovery limitations of MCR 2.302(B)(6) are equally applicable to criminal cases.*
- ADM 2009-04, Judicial Disqualification. *Consideration of language to be inserted in (D)(1) regarding timing of filing motions to disqualify.*
- ADM 2009-04, Judicial Disqualification. *Consideration of amendments proposed by Justice Young.*

- ADM 2009-04, Judicial Disqualification. *Reconsideration of recently adopted amendments of MCR 2.003.*
- ADM 2009-12, Rules Regarding Open Administrative Conferences. *Whether to adopt a rule to require that a justice seeking reconsideration of a vote must first obtain consent by a member of the prevailing vote group.*
- ADM 2010-08, Time Standards Report (Proposed Revision of Administrative Order No. 2003-7). *Whether to publish for comment proposed revisions of Administrative Order No. 2003-7, which establishes guidelines for the time period within which courts should adjudicate all proceedings.*
- ADM 2002-37, Oakland County E-filing Family Division. *Whether to expand e-filing to Oakland County's family court.*
- ADM 2004-04, Adoption of Concurrent Jurisdiction Plan for the 12th Circuit Court and the Baraga County Probate Court. *Whether to approve a concurrent jurisdiction plan for the 12th Circuit Court and Baraga County Probate Court.*
- ADM 2009-19, Shorten the time period to file an appeal of right (evolved from Prison Mailbox Rule---ADM File No. 2009-07). *Whether to publish for comment a proposal that would reduce the amount of time to file a criminal appeal.*

The [agenda](http://www.courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt/Resources/Administrative/AdminConf.htm) for this and future conferences may be viewed online at <http://www.courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt/Resources/Administrative/AdminConf.htm>.

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