Order

Michigan Supreme Court
Lansing, Michigan

September 11, 2024

ADM File No. 2022-51

Proposed Amendment of Rule 6.509 of the Michigan Court Rules Elizabeth T. Clement, Chief Justice

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On order of the Court, this is to advise that the Court is considering an amendment of Rule 6.509 of the Michigan Court Rules. Before determining whether the proposal should be adopted, changed before adoption, or rejected, this notice is given to afford interested persons the opportunity to comment on the form or the merits of the proposal or to suggest alternatives. The Court welcomes the views of all. This matter will also be considered at a public hearing. The notices and agendas for each public hearing are posted on the Public Administrative Hearings page.

Publication of this proposal does not mean that the Court will issue an order on the subject, nor does it imply probable adoption of the proposal in its present form.

[Additions to the text are indicated in underlining and deleted text is shown by strikeover.]

Rule 6.509 Appeal

(A) Availability of Appeal. Appeals from decisions under this subchapter are by application for leave to appeal to the Court of Appeals pursuant to MCR 7.205(A)(1). The 6-month time limit provided by MCR 7.205(A)(4)(a), runs from the decision under this subchapter. For purposes of this subrule, a "decision under this subchapter" includes a decision on a motion filed under MCR 6.502 and a decision on a timely-filed motion for reconsideration. Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed as extending the time to appeal from the original judgment.

(B)-(D) [Unchanged.]

Staff Comment (ADM File No. 2022-51): The proposed amendment of MCR 6.509 would clarify that defendants may file with the Court of Appeals an application for leave to appeal a trial court's decision on: (1) a motion for relief from judgment; and (2) a timely-filed motion to reconsider an order deciding a motion for relief from judgment. Note that a separate proposal affecting MCR 6.509(A) is proposed under ADM File No. 2022-57.

The staff comment is not an authoritative construction by the Court. In addition, adoption of a new rule or amendment in no way reflects a substantive determination by this Court.

A copy of this order will be given to the Secretary of the State Bar and to the State Court Administrator so that they can make the notifications specified in MCR 1.201. Comments on the proposal may be submitted by January 1, 2025 by clicking on the "Comment on this Proposal" link under this proposal on the Court's Proposed & Adopted Orders on Administrative Matters page. You may also submit a comment in writing at P.O. Box 30052, Lansing, MI 48909 or via email at ADMcomment@courts.mi.gov. When filing a comment, please refer to ADM File No. 2022-51. Your comments and the comments of others will be posted under the chapter affected by this proposal.



I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

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