

Michigan's Judiciary Driving Change, Re-Engineering Courts, Improving Efficiency, Taking Steps Re-Engineering the Judiciary

2011-2013 State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) Report Recommendations

- 25 Judgeships eliminated, 20 additional slated for elimination, 5 more approved by Michigan Legislature

40 Net Reduction in Judgeships; Taxpayer Savings

- 2011 & 2013 SCAO recommendations savings banked

\$6.1 Million; 2015 New SCAO Report Recommendations

- 9 trial court judgeships eliminated by attrition; 3 new trial court judgeships added

6 Net Reduction in Judgeships; Cumulative Savings

- Once full net reduction is achieved

\$193 Million in Taxpayer Savings

- Three out of four Michigan counties plan to streamline their court systems through consolidation. The Result? Improved customer service and more efficient use of resources.
- Restructuring of the challenged 36th District Court in Detroit has improved service, reduced backlogs, increased revenues, and balanced the court's budget.

48 multi-court chief judges (up from 9 in 2010) are reducing the bureaucracy and cutting costs.

40 fewer judges

- No other state has reduced the number of judges by more than a handful
- Rightsizing the judiciary to balance workloads has reduced costs by \$6.1 million over the past three years.