

# Order

Michigan Supreme Court  
Lansing, Michigan

January 20, 2021

Bridget M. McCormack,  
Chief Justice

ADM File No. 2002-37

Addition of Rule 2.226  
of the Michigan Court  
Rules

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On order of the Court, notice of the proposed changes and an opportunity for comment having been provided, and consideration having been given to the comments received, the following addition of Rule 2.226 of the Michigan Court Rules is adopted, effective May 1, 2021.

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

[New] Rule 2.226 Change of Venue; Transfer of Jurisdiction; Orders.

- (A) The court ordering a change of venue or transfer of jurisdiction shall enter all necessary orders pertaining to the certification and transfer of the action to the court to which the action is transferred on a form approved by the State Court Administrative Office.
- (B) If a change of venue or transfer of jurisdiction order is not prepared as required under subrule (A), and the order lacks the information necessary for the receiving court to determine under which rule the transfer was ordered, the clerk of the receiving court shall refuse to accept the transfer and shall prepare a notice of refusal on a form approved by the State Court Administrative Office and return the case to the transferring court for a proper order within seven business days of receipt of the transfer order.
- (C) If a transferring court receives a refusal to accept a transferred case under subrule (B), the transferring court shall prepare a proper order in accordance with subrule (A) and retransfer the case within seven business days.

*Staff comment:* The addition of MCR 2.226 would clarify the process for change of venue and transfer orders.

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



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.

January 20, 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry S. Royster", is written over a horizontal line.

Clerk