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RE: ADM File No. 2019-12: Proposed Amendment of Rules 1.109, 3.206, 3.931, and 3.961 of the Michigan Court Rules

Dear Clerk Royster:

At its November 22, 2019 meeting, the State Bar of Michigan Board of Commissioners (Board) considered the above-referenced proposed rule amendments published by the Court for comment. As part of its review, the Board considered recommendations from the Access to Justice Policy Committee and Civil Procedure & Courts Committee.

After this review, the Board voted unanimously to support the rule changes with the following amendments:

- The rules should be amended to clarify that tribal court cases should be listed in the Case Inventory Addendum and tribal courts should be included in the list of courts to be notified.
- MCR 3.931 and 3.961 should be amended to refer to MCR 3.920(I), which is the service rule for delinquency and child protective proceedings, rather than MCR 3.203, which is the service rule for domestic relations proceedings.

We thank the Court for the opportunity to convey the Board's position on this rule proposal.

Sincerely,



Janet K. Welch
Executive Director

cc: Anne Boomer, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court
Dennis M. Barnes, President, State Bar of Michigan