

July 30, 2020

Larry S. Royster
Clerk of the Court
Michigan Supreme Court
P.O. Box 30052
Lansing, MI 48909

RE: ADM File No. 2019-41 – Proposed Amendment of MCR 4.201

Dear Clerk Royster:

At its July 24, 2020 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan (Board) considered the above-referenced proposed rule amendment published for comment. In its review, the Board considered recommendations from the Access to Justice Policy Committee and the Civil Procedure & Courts Committee.

After this review, the Board voted unanimously to support the rule changes, as they improve access to courts by providing tenants with notice of their right to have the venue changed to the district court in which the rental property is located.

We thank the Court for the opportunity to convey the Board's position.

Sincerely,



Janet K. Welch
Executive Director

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