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### **Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Bridget M. McCormack Statement Regarding the Bar Exam:**

“I am grateful to the 733 applicants who completed the Michigan Bar Exam that was administered online for the first time yesterday. I also appreciate the wide range of stakeholders, including the State Bar and law schools, who endorsed the decision to administer an online exam.

“Michigan’s Constitution and laws entrust the Court with supervising and regulating the practice of law, and this online test was approved to help fulfill that important responsibility. With that responsibility comes an obligation, in cooperation with the Board of Law Examiners (BLE), to administer a fair and effective process for the investigation and examination of applicants to the bar.

“Some test takers experienced complications yesterday that delayed the second module of the exam. I want to make sure that every effort is undertaken to understand what happened, why it happened, so we can address it and learn from it. Justice Brian K. Zahra, the Court’s liaison to the Board of Law Examiners has asked the Board to address these questions.

“We look forward to receiving the Board’s report as soon as possible, and based on those findings, I expect that the Court will consider a path forward.”

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