

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
BUSINESS COURT**

**CROSS INVESTMENTS, LLC,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**Case No. 2019-170813-CB  
Hon. James M. Alexander**

**COOPERS WHOLESALE,**

**Defendant.**

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**OPINION AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL**

This matter is before the Court on its own motion to dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint.

On January 2, 2019, Ms. Erica Cross commenced a lawsuit on behalf of the corporate Plaintiff, namely Cross Investments, LLC, in the Oakland County Circuit Court. "While an individual may appear in proper person, a corporation, because of the very fact of its being a corporation, can appear only by attorney, regardless of whether it is interested in its own corporate capacity or in a fiduciary capacity." *Detroit Bar Ass'n v Union Guardian Tr. Co.*, 282 Mich 707, 711; 281 NW 432 (1938); *Peters Prod., Inc. v Desnick Broad. Co.*, 171 Mich App 283, 287; 429 NW2d 654 (1988).

Based upon the fact that legal representation for Plaintiff is required in this judicial proceeding, the Court finds that the Complaint was improperly filed by Ms. Cross. Furthermore, the Court finds that Plaintiff's Complaint does not comply with the compulsory filing standards set forth in MCR 1.109(D). For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff's Complaint must be dismissed.

Accordingly, Plaintiff's Complaint is hereby dismissed without prejudice against Defendant Coopers Wholesale. This Opinion and Order resolves the last pending claim and closes the case.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

March 21, 2019  
Date

/s/ James M. Alexander  
Hon. James M. Alexander  
Business Court