State Bar of Michigan Representative Assembly March 27, 2004

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

The following is a summary of proceedings of the State Bar Representative Assembly session held Saturday, March 27, 2004, in the Kellogg Center, Big Ten Room A in East Lansing, Michigan.

- 1. Call to order by Chairperson Daniel M. Levy.
- 2. Clerk Lori A. Buiteweg declared a quorum was present.
- 3. Upon a motion made and seconded, the calendar was adopted, as proposed.
- 4. As provided in Rule 4.8, the Summary of Proceedings of the November 14, 2003, meeting was deemed approved.
- 5. Upon a motion made and seconded, Marcia Cynthia Ross of Farmington Hills (6th Judicial Circuit), David Riffle of Tawas (23rd Judicial Circuit), and Stephen Gobbo and Monique Pointer of Lansing (30th Judicial Circuit) were appointed to fill immediate vacancies within their respective circuits.
- 6. The Assembly observed a moment of silence in memory of Clinton County Sheriff's Department Deputy Perry Fillmore who was killed in the line of duty.
- 7. Mr. Levy addressed the Assembly.
- 8. Scott S. Brinkmeyer, President of the State Bar of Michigan, addressed the Assembly.
- 9. John T. Berry, Executive Director of the State Bar of Michigan, addressed the Assembly.
- 10. Janet Welch, General Counsel of the State Bar of Michigan, provided a presentation on Administrative Order 2004-01.
- 11. James Horsch, Director of Finance & Administration of the State Bar of Michigan along with Mr. Levy, Chairperson, provided a report to the Assembly regarding reapportionment.
- 12. Lisa Allen-Kost, Director of Programs and Services of the State Bar of Michigan, along with Lynn Chard, Executive Director of ICLE, provided a report to the Assembly regarding Michigan Law Online.
- 13. Vincent A. Romano (3rd Judicial Circuit) provided a liaison report on behalf of the Law Practice Management Section.

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- 14. Committee reports were provided by the following committee chairs: Terri L. Stangl, Assembly Review Committee; Thomas C. Rombach, Nominating and Awards Committee; and Edward L. Haroutunian, Special Issues Committee, who reported on the Justice in Jeopardy Report of the ABA Commission on the 21st Century Judiciary.
- 15. Upon a motion made and seconded, the Assembly opposed the adoption of the proposed amendments to MCR 2.112(K), Notice of Non-Party Fault.
- 16. Upon a motion made and seconded, the Assembly approved the proposed resolution in support of changes to court rules regarding issuance of ex parte guardianships over minors, subject to grammatical review by the Assembly Drafting Committee prior to submission to the Michigan Supreme Court.
- 17. Adjournment.