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RE: ADM File No. 2011-06 - Proposed Amendment of Rule 2.603 of the Michigan Court Rules

Dear Clerk Davis:

At its July 27, 2012 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan considered the above rule amendment published for comment. In its review, the Board considered a recommendation from the Civil Procedure & Courts Committee (attached). The Board voted to support the amendment.

We thank the Court for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendments.

Sincerely,

Janet K. Welch

**Executive Director** 

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cc: Anne Boomer, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court Julie I. Fershtman, President

# Report on Public Policy Position

#### Name of committee:

Civil Procedure and Courts Committee

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# Proposed Court Rule or Administrative Order Number: ADM 2011-06 Proposed Amendment of MCR 2.603

The proposed amendment of MCR 2.603 would clarify that a court clerk could enter a default judgment if the requested damages are less than the amount claimed in the original complaint, to reflect payments that may have been made or otherwise credited.

### Date position was adopted:

May 23, 2012

#### Process used to take the ideological position:

Position adopted after discussion and vote.

# Number of members in the decision-making body:

20

## Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

- 14 Voted for position
- 1 Voted against position
- 0 Abstained from vote
- 5 Did not vote

### Recommendation:

Support

The text of any legislation, court rule, or administrative regulation that is the subject of or referenced in this report.

http://courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt/Resources/Administrative/2011-06 2012-04-18 formatted-order.pdf