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RE: ADM File No. 2014-28 - Proposed Amendment of Rule 2.403 of the

Michigan Court Rules

Dear Clerk Royster:

The Representative Assembly of the State Bar recommended changes to the Michigan Court Rules to address advance notice of disqualification of case evaluators. Although the amendment published for comment has been slightly modified from the proposal approved by the Representative Assembly, the Executive Committee of the State Bar of Michigan voted unanimously to support the amendment as the amendment still achieves the objectives of the original proposal but with a more concise time period and explicit consequences for violating the advance notice requirements.

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

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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