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Lansing, MI 48909 RE: ADM File No. 2015-18: Proposed Amendment of Rule 9.108 of the Michigan

Dear Clerk Royster:

At its February 21, 2017 meeting, the Executive Committee of the State Bar of Michigan (the Committee) considered the above-referenced proposed amendment published by the Court for comment.¹ In its review, the Committee considered recommendations from the Family Law Section, the Probate & Estate Planning Section, and the Professional Ethics Committee. In addition, the Public Policy Committee reviewed the rule proposal and made recommendations to the Committee.

After this review, the Committee voted unanimously to support the proposed rule amendment, as it makes clear that the Attorney Grievance Commission has the authority to seek an injunction from the Supreme Court against an attorney's continued practice of law.

We thank the Court for the opportunity to convey the State Bar's position.

Sincerely,

Janet K. Welch Executive Director

cc:

Anne Boomer, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court Lawrence P. Nolan, President

¹ Under Article III, §9 of the State Bar of Michigan Bylaws, "[t]he Executive Committee may take a position on a proposed Court Rule if the deadline for a response does not allow for consideration by the Board, provided the position is not inconsistent with policies adopted by the Board or Representative Assembly."