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RE: ADM File No. 2016-39: Proposed Amendment of Rules 3.903, 3.932, and 3.936 of the Michigan Court Rules

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 amendments published by the Court for comment.<sup>1</sup> In its review, the Committee considered recommendations from the Criminal Jurisprudence & Practice Committee and the Criminal Issues Initiative. In addition, the Public Policy Committee reviewed the rule proposals and made recommendations to the Committee. After this review, the Committee voted unanimously to support the proposed rule amendments, as they incorporate recent statutory changes into the Michigan Court Rules.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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."