

September 30, 2022

Larry S. Royster
Clerk of the Court
Michigan Supreme Court
P.O. Box 30052
Lansing, MI 48909

RE: ADM File No. 2021-29 – Proposed Amendment of Rule 6.201 of the Michigan Court Rules

Dear Clerk Royster:

At its September 16, 2022 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan considered ADM File No. 2021-29. In its review, the Board considered recommendations from the Access to Justice Policy Committee and the Criminal Jurisprudence & Practice Committee. The Board voted to support ADM File No. 2021-29 with an additional amendment striking “the address, telephone or cell phone number, or” from the proposed language. The Board believes that this additional amendment will address the need to protect sensitive personal identifying information from disclosure, while also ensuring access to information necessary to contact witnesses and prepare a defendant’s defense. Additionally, the Board recommends that the citation in the proposed amendment be corrected to read “MCR 1.109(D)(9)(a).”

We thank the Court for the opportunity to convey the Board’s position.

Sincerely,



Peter Cunningham
Executive Director

cc: Sarah Roth, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court
James W. Heath, President