

CALENDAR
STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2009
9:00AM – 3:30PM

Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Marquis Ballroom, Second Floor
600 Town Center Drive, Dearborn

*Denotes Action Items

PLEASE NOTE: MEETING BEGINS AT 9:00 A.M.

- 9:00 a.m. 1. Introductory Matters
- A. Call to order by Chairperson, Katherine Kakish with Parliamentarian,
 Hon. John M. Chmura
- [Katherine Kakish, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Licensing & Regulation Division,
Cadillac Place, 3030 West Grand Blvd., Ste., 10-200, Detroit, MI 48202
phone: (313) 456-0040; email: kakishk@michigan.gov]
- [Hon. John M. Chmura, 37th District Court, 8300 Common Rd # 104, Warren, MI 48093
phone: (586) 574-4925; email: jchmura@cityofwarren.org]
- B. Certification that a quorum is present by Assembly Clerk, Victoria A. Radke, Esq.
 [524 Ludington St., Ste. 201, Escanaba, MI 49829
 phone: (906) 789-1022; email: vrlawpc@charterinternet.com]
- C. *Adoption of proposed calendar by Chair, Rules & Calendar, Michael K. Pope, Esq.
 [Dean & Pope PC, 204 Harrison St., Ironwood, MI 49938-1776
 phone: (906) 932-4010; email: deanandpope@sbcglobal.net]
- D. *Approval of the April 18, 2009 summary of proceedings
- 9:05 a.m. 2. Introduction of Michigan Attorney General, Michael A. Cox
 Ms. Katherine Kakish
 Chairperson, Representative Assembly
 [Katherine Kakish, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Licensing & Regulation Division,
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- 9:10 a.m. 3. Remarks from Michigan Attorney General, Michael A. Cox
 [Attorney General, Dept of Attorney General, PO Box 30212, G Mennen Wms Building,
 Floor 7, Lansing, MI 48909-7712
 phone: (517) 373-1110; email: miag@michigan.gov]
- 9:30 a.m. 4. *Filling Vacancies
 Mr. Jeff C. Nellis, Esq.
 Chair, Assembly Nominating and Awards Committee
 [121 E Ludington Ave., Ste 12, Ludington, MI 49431-2194,
 phone: (231) 845-1820; email: jcnellisatty@yahoo.com]

- 9:35 a.m. 5. Presentation of the Michael Franck Award to Daniel F. Bonner
Presenter: David B. Kortering, Esq.
Member, Representative Assembly
[David B. Kortering, Kortering Law Firm, 450 Morris Ave., Ste 303
Muskegon, MI 49440-1104
phone: (231) 728-6411; email: ldkortering@aol.com]
- 9:50 a.m. 6. Presentation of the Unsung Hero Award to Brian M. Barkey
Presenter: Bernhardt D. Christenson, III, Esq.
Member, State Bar Board of Commissioners & Young Lawyers Section Chair
[Bernhardt D. Christenson, III, Christenson & Fiederlein PC, 302 E Court St.,
Flint, MI 48502-1612
phone: (810) 232-1112; email: cchristenson@cflegal.net]
- 10:05 a.m. 7. Presentation of the Unsung Hero Award to Kelly Kathleen Burriss
Presenter: Elizabeth C. Jolliffe
Member, Representative Assembly
[Your Benchmark Coach, 543 5th St., Ann Arbor, MI 48103-4838
phone: (734) 663-7905; email: elizabeth@yourbenchmarkcoach.com]
- 10:20 a.m. 8. Break
- 10:30 a.m. 9. Remarks from the Chair
Ms. Katherine Kakish, Esq.
Chair, Representative Assembly
[Assistant Attorney General, Licensing & Regulation Division,
Cadillac Place, 3030 West Grand Blvd., Ste., 10-200, Detroit, MI 48202
phone: (313) 456-0040; email: kakishk@michigan.gov]
- Questions & Answers
- 10:40 a.m. 10. Remarks from the President
Mr. Edward H. Pappas, Esq.
President, State Bar of Michigan
[Dickinson Wright, PLLC, 38525 Woodward Ave., Ste. 2000, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304
phone: (248) 433-7228; email: epappas@dickinsonwright.com]
- Questions & Answers
- 10:50 a.m. 11. Remarks from the Executive Director
Ms. Janet K. Welch, Esq.
[State Bar of Michigan, 306 Townsend St., Lansing, MI 48933,
phone: (517) 346-6375; email: jwelch@mail.michbar.org]
- Questions & Answers
- 11:00 a.m. 12. Public Defense Update
Ms. Elizabeth Lyon
[Director of Governmental Relations, State Bar of Michigan, 306 Townsend St.,
Lansing, MI 48933
phone: (517) 346-6325; email: elyon@mail.michbar.org]
- Questions & Answers
- 11:25 a.m. 13. American Bar Association House of Delegates Report
Ms. Vanessa Peterson Williams, Esq.
Member, Representative Assembly
[Deputy General Counsel, R.L. Polk & Co., 26955 Northwestern Hwy,
Southfield, MI 48033-4713
phone: (248) 728-7250; email: vanessa_williams@polk.com]

- 11:30 a.m. 14. *Consideration of Canon 2 – The Hiring of Court Employees
 Presenter: Stephen J. Gobbo, Esq.
 Member, Representative Assembly
 [State of Michigan, PO Box 24222, Lansing, MI 48909-4222
 phone: (517) 241-9267; email: gobbos@michigan.gov]
- Proponent: Matthew R. Abel, Esq.
 Member, Representative Assembly
 [450 W Fort St., Fl 200, Detroit, MI 48226-3169
 phone: (248) 866-0864; email: attorneyabel@riseup.net]
 - Invited to comment: All State Bar Sections, Committees & Members
 - Assembly Debate
- 11:40 a.m. 15. Update on Consideration of Revised Uniform Arbitration Act
 Presenter: Stephen J. Gobbo, Esq.
 Member, Representative Assembly
 [State of Michigan, PO Box 24222, Lansing, MI 48909-4222
 phone: (517) 241-9267; email: gobbos@michigan.gov]
- 11:45 a.m. 16. **Inaugural Luncheon**
- 2:00 p.m. 17. *Consideration of Proposed Amendment to MCR 6.302 Pleas of Guilty and Nolo Contendere
 Proponent: Richard L. Cunningham, Esq.
 Member, Board of Commissioners
 [Assistant Attorney General, Michigan Dept of Attorney General, 3030 W Grand Blvd.,
 Ste. 10-354, Detroit, MI 48202-6030
 phone: (313) 456-0204; email: CunninghamR3@michigan.gov]
 - Invited to comment: All State Bar Sections, Committees & Members
 - Assembly Debate
- 2:20 p.m. 18. *Consideration of Proposed MCR 8.127 – Attorney Solicitation
 Proponent: Elizabeth A. Sadowski, Esq.
 Member, Representative Assembly
 [Colbert Shepard & Sadowski LLP, 431 6th St., Rochester, MI 48307-1401
 phone: (248) 652-4000; email: sadowski@mindspring.com]
 - Invited to comment: All State Bar Sections, Committees & Members
 - Assembly Debate
- 2:45 p.m. 19. Nomination and Election of Assembly Clerk
- 3:00 p.m. 20. Introduction of Chief Justice Marilyn J. Kelly, Michigan Supreme Court
- 3:05 p.m. 21. Swearing in of Elizabeth M. Johnson as 2009-2010 Chairperson of the Representative
 Assembly. (Elizabeth M. Johnson will be sworn in by Chief Justice Marilyn J. Kelly, Michigan
 Supreme Court)
- 3:20 p.m. 22. Presentation of Recognition to Assembly members completing their terms of service,
 Committee Chairs and the Immediate Past Assembly Chair
- 3:30 p.m. 23. Adjournment

Attendance forms are circulated and collected at the conclusion of the meeting