



Report on Public Policy Position

Bylaw Article VIII. "A Section shall notify the Executive Director of the adoption of a public policy position within 10 days of taking the position."
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Position: (If position is in the form of a report or amicus brief, the document may be attached.):

On October 4, 2003, the Elder Law and Advocacy Section Council of the State Bar of Michigan voted in support of Senate Bill 767 and House Bill 5039. These bills will restore grandparents visitation rights previously deemed unconstitutional.

Date position was adopted: October 4, 2003

Process by which position was taken, and vote by which position was adopted:

It was a vote of the Council. The motion passed unanimously with a 9-0 vote.

- This subject matter of this position is within the jurisdiction of the section.
- The position was adopted in accordance with the Section's bylaws.
- The requirements of SBM Bylaw Article VIII have been satisfied.

If the boxes above are checked, SBM will notify the Section when this notice is received, at which time the Section may advocate the position.

This position falls within the following Keller-permissible category (to be completed for legislative issues only):

- The regulation and discipline of attorneys
- Matters relating to the improvement of the functioning of the courts, judicial efficacy and efficiency
- Increasing the availability of legal services to society
- Regulation of attorney trust accounts
- The education, ethics, competence, integrity and regulation of the legal profession.

Explanation: The bills are not considered Keller-permissible.

Attach the text of any legislation, court rule, or administrative regulation that is the subject of or referenced in this recommendation. (Text may be provided by hyperlink):

[HB 5039](#)

[SB 767](#)