

FAMILY LAW SECTION

Respectfully submits the following position on:

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ADM File No. 2014-06

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The Family Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan itself, but rather a Section which members of the State Bar choose voluntarily to join, based on common professional interest.

The position expressed is that of the Family Law Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan.

The State Bar of Michigan's position on this matter is to support the proposed amendment.

The total membership of the Family Law Section is 2,486.

The position was adopted after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 21. The number who voted in favor of this position was 18. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of Section:

Family Law Section

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Proposed Court Rule or Administrative Order Number:

[ADM File No. 2014-06 - Proposed Amendment of Rule 2.004 of the Michigan Court Rules](#)

The proposed revisions of MCR 2.004 would change the service provisions with regard to an inmate's participation in a hearing or conference so that service would be required on MDOC's Central Records Section, instead of service on individual wardens or supervisors at the MDOC facilities; the proposed changes also would allow an inmate's participation by video or videoconferencing.

Date position was adopted:

May 3, 2014

Process used to take the ideological position:

Position adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting

Number of members in the decision-making body:

21

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

18 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

3 Did not vote

Position:

Support

The text of any legislation, court rule, or administrative regulation that is the subject of or referenced in this report.

http://courts.mi.gov/Courts/MichiganSupremeCourt/rules/court-rules-admin-matters/Court%20Rules/2014-06_2014-04-23_formatted%20order.pdf