2015/2016 At the Capitol

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SB 0149 (Brandenburg) Torts, nonmedical malpractice; Torts, civil procedure; Civil procedure, civil actions; Occupations, architects, professional engineers, and surveyors. Torts; nonmedical malpractice; affidavit of merit; require for malpractice action

against architect or professional engineer. Amends 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.1-600.9947) by adding sec. 2912i.

POSITION: Oppose

(Commissioner Radke abstained.)

In the Hall of Justice

Proposed Amendment of Rule 3.613 of the Michigan Court Rules (ADM File No. 2014-11)—Change of Name (See Michigan Bar Journal May 2015, p 87.)

STATUS: Comment Period Expired 7/1/15; **Public Hearing to Be Scheduled**

POSITION: Oppose

Amendments of Rules 3.903, 3.920, 3.961, and 3.965 of the Michigan Court Rules (ADM File No. 2014-49)—Definitions; Services of Process; Initiating Child Protective Proceedings; Preliminary Hearing (See Michigan Bar Journal May 2015, p 88.)

STATUS: Comment Period Expired 7/1/15; **Public Hearing to Be Scheduled**

POSITION: Support

Model Criminal Jury Instructions 20.39, 20.39a, 20.39b, 20.39c, 20.39d, 20.39e, 20.39f, 20.39g, 20.39h, 20.39i, 20.39j, **20.39k, 20.39l**—(See *Michigan Bar Journal* March 2015, p 62.)

STATUS: Comment Period Expired 5/1/15

POSITION: Support

Model Criminal Jury Instruction 25.6—(See Michigan Bar Journal June 2015, p 76.)

STATUS: Comment Period Expires 8/1/15

POSITION: Support

Model Criminal Jury Instructions 11.37, 11.37a, 11.37b,

11.37c—(See *Michigan Bar Journal* July 2015, pp 66–68.)

STATUS: Comment Period Expires 9/1/15

POSITION: Support