

SBM IN MEMORIAM

Barry Brown, P11260, of East Lansing died October 24, 2018. He was born in 1931, graduated from the Wayne State University Law School, and was admitted to the Bar in 1956.

Larry L. Burgess, P25246, of Charlevoix died October 10, 2018. He was born in 1941, graduated from the University of Detroit School of Law, and was admitted to the Bar in 1975.

George Cherpelis, P11825, of Scottsdale, Arizona died August 15, 2018. He was born in 1929, graduated from the University of Michigan Law School, and was admitted to the Bar in 1957.

Morton H. Collins, P12068, of Southfield died September 28, 2018. He was born in 1931, graduated from the Wayne State University Law School, and was admitted to the Bar in 1958.

Larry A. Girard, P14022, of Keego Harbor died October 17, 2018. He was born in 1936, graduated from the Detroit College of Law, and was admitted to the Bar in 1968.

Daniel K. Jamieson, P15438, of Kalamazoo died September 23, 2018. He was born in 1942, graduated from the Wayne State University Law School, and was admitted to the Bar in 1969.

Allen L. Schwartz, P25910, of West Bloomfield died October 29, 2018. He was born in 1930, graduated from the Detroit College of Law, and was admitted to the Bar in 1976.

Frank Stanczak, P26606, of Port St. Lucie, Florida died August 22, 2018. He was born in 1949, graduated from the University of Detroit School of Law, and was admitted to the Bar in 1976.

Benjamin John Symko, P72553, of Kentwood died October 15, 2018. He was born in 1978, graduated from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School, and was admitted to the Bar in 2009.

Charles R. Tuffley, P21613, of Southfield died October 26, 2018. He was born in 1938, graduated from the Wayne State University Law School, and was admitted to the Bar in 1965.

In Memoriam information is published as soon as possible after it is received.

SBM MONEY JUDGMENT INTEREST RATE

MCL 600.6013 governs how to calculate the interest on a money judgment in a Michigan state court. Interest is calculated at six-month intervals in January and July of each year, from when the complaint was filed, and is compounded annually.

For a complaint filed after December 31, 1986, the rate as of July 1, 2018 is 3.687 percent. This rate includes the statutory 1 percent.

But a different rule applies for a complaint filed after June 30, 2002 that is based on a written instrument with its own specified interest rate. The rate is the lesser of:

- (1) 13 percent a year, compounded annually; or
- (2) the specified rate, if it is fixed—or if it is variable, the variable rate when the complaint was filed if that rate was legal.

For past rates, see <http://courts.mi.gov/Administration/SCAO/Resources/Documents/other/interest.pdf>.

As the application of MCL 600.6013 varies depending on the circumstances, you should review the statute carefully.

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