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Article VI § 6, Bylaws of the State Bar of Michigan

No later than May 1 of each year, the chair of each committee and sub entity of the Bar, with the assistance of the staff liaison, shall report to the Executive Director on a form provided by the State Bar on the activities and accomplishments of the committee or sub entity.

Delivery of Legal Services for All

Jurisdiction:

Develop and recommend proposals for the effective delivery of high quality legal services, equal, fair and affordable for all.

This committee consists of three initiatives:

- 1. Access to Justice: Proactive Policy and Program Development
- o Develop, recommend, and implement programs to benefit underserved populations including the poor, racial and ethnic minorities, gender identity, juveniles, domestic violence survivors, and those with special needs.
- o Work to increase resources for civil legal aid programs.
- o Maintain commitment to the provision of pro bono legal services.
- o Recommend John W. Cummiskey Award recipient to the Awards Committee.
- o Implement the Strategic Plan through formation of work groups as resources allow to address first responder pro bono, Michigan Free Legal Answers, online intake and triage, consistent treatment of fee waiver requests.
- 2. Affordable Legal Services
- o Review and recommend innovative practices to provide low-cost legal services and evaluate efforts to expand access to affordable legal services for persons of modest means, including low bono services.
- o Explore development of non-profit law firms and sliding scale civil legal services.
- o Evaluate and recommend programs to increase online dispute resolution and alternative dispute resolution services.
- o Explore cases to remove from judicial process.
- o Explore alternative fee agreements.
- 3. Lawyer Referral Service
- o Review and recommend programs to ensure knowledge of and access to lawyer referral services.
- o Review and recommend information to help consumers understand options and access to legal services.
- o Enhanced Directory/Online Marketplace.

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TO BE DETERMINED, ASAP

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Committee Meeting Schedule:

Please attach any additional information needed regarding Committee meetings as an addendum.

*Please keep meeting descriptions brief.

Meeting Typ Description	pe	Date	Location			
Meeting Type	e In-Person and Telephone	10-23-2017	Lansing			
Description	First meeting was a joint session with DIAC. Members reviewed and discussed the I & I Steering Committee's prioritization of ongoing and new work for the bar year.					
Meeting Type	Telephone	01-18-2018	N/A			
Description	Reports provided by Access to Justice, Affordable Legal, Lawyer Referral Service on ongoing work, progress, and next steps. Report on JI Guidelines and Independent Tech Audit committees.					
Meeting Type	e Telephone	04-06-2018	N/A			
Description	Description At this meeting, the Delivery Committee will review annual reports and assess progress.					
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Resources provided by the State Bar of Michigan in support of committee work:

Review volunteer applications and suggest members for Delivery Committee, poll for meeting dates, work with co-chairs to draft agendas, organize meetings, provide meeting materials, draft minutes, coordinate in-person meetings and teleconferences, and draft Annual Report.

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Committee Activities and Strategic Goal Accomplishments:

Please list each accomplishment/activity, and indicate which strategic plan area it supports by checking the corresponding boxes.

The I & I Steering Committee prioritized the Delivery Committee's ongoing and new work for the bar year. The Delivery Committee in turn prioritized the work of the committees and initiatives within its scope and assessed whether goals of Strategic Plan were being met. The Delivery Committee includes the Access to Justice, Affordable Legal Services, and Lawyer Referral Service Initiatives. The Delivery Committee directly oversaw the Independent Tech Audit and Justice Innovations Guidelines committees.	
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Delivery Committee projects prioritized by the I & I Steering Committee: Independent Tech Audit, Consistent Fee Waiver MCR 2.002 amendments, Limited Scope Representation Implementation, Justice Innovation Guidelines, Independent Tech Audit, Modest Means Implementation, ODR/ADR, Implicit Bias, Lawyer referral Service and Online Marketplace.	□G1 □G2 □G3 □G4 □S1 □S1 □S1 □S1 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S5 □S5 □S6 □S6
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Recruit volunteers to carry out work.	☑G1 ☑G2 ☑G3 ☑G4 □S1 □S1 □S1 □S1 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S5 □S5 □S6 □S6 □S6
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Receive interim updates and annual reports from Access to Justice, Affordable Legal, and Lawyer Referral Service Initiatives and their associated workgroups and committees to assess progress towards set goals.	□G1 □G2 □G3 □G4 □S1 □S1 □S1 □S1 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S5 □S5 □S6 □S6
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Voted to support the Consistent Fee Waiver Workgroup's proposed amendments to MCR 2.002 and submission to the Representative Assembly for consideration at its April 21, 2018, meeting.	□G1 □G2 □G3 □G4 □S1 □S1 □S1 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S2 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S3 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S4 □S5 □S5 □S6 □S6
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A new committee structure was implemented for the 2017-2018 bar year and members of Delivery will continue to look for ways to work, interact, and communicate more effectively and efficiently with other State Bar committees, initiatives, and workgroups. It will provide input to the Bar on ways to possibly improve the structure.

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Other Information:

In addition to any other important information, please indicate the titles of any workgroups or subcommittees, and attach their annual report as an addendum.

See the annual reports of Delivery's Justice Innovations Guidelines Workgroup and Independent Tech Audit Workgroup, Access to Justice Initiative and its Consistent Fee Waiver Work Group, Affordable Legal Services Initiative and its Limited Scope Representation Implementation Work Group and Modest Means Work Group, and Lawyer Referral Steering Initiative.

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Other		

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