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**RE: 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**

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Board discussed the proposed model criminal jury instructions at its April 24, 2015 meeting, after which it tabled the item for further review. Board members expressed concern that a recent opinion in *Doe v. Snyder*, Case No. 12-11194 (E.D.Mich. Mar 18, 2013) might require further edits to these jury instructions and any decision-making would be premature. We appreciated the opportunity to discuss this concern with you.

At its June 12 meeting, the Board revisited the proposed jury instructions and voted to support them.

Thank you for the opportunity to convey the Board's position.

Sincerely,



Janet K. Welch  
Executive Director

cc: Thomas C. Rombach, President