

**Minutes from the Standing Committee on Technology**  
**Tuesday, January 15, 2008 3:30 PM**

No action items for vote.

1. State Bar President Ron Keefe spoke about technology. How we practice law is moving quickly and we need to focus in this area.
2. Janet Welch, State Bar Executive Director, provided history about the formulation of the Technology Committee. A task force was setup to look at the State Bar entering into e-Filing. It was e-Filing focused. The scope of issues is bigger than the focus of the predecessor task force and this committee was created to look at all areas. Janet explained it is important for the Bar to be on top of technology. The committee was formed to be a vision center to react to technology issues as they arise. Dealing with areas like ethical, litigation, and court rules.
3. Mark Dobias is going to contact the probate and circuit judges in the UP to identify technology issues and needs in courts.
4. Anne Vrooman, State Bar Director of Research & Development, informed the group it has been 10 years since a full survey of the membership. Anne is looking for technology questions from the committee for the next survey and expect that this might be a vehicle that the committee uses to get a better sense of technology issues facing the legal profession. Only 50% of the Bar membership are in a private practice and it is difficult to get surveys or focus group participation. Because of this, Anne explained it is important to not be generic on questions as it's hard to get follow up information. Anne is also looking for reasons why members would connect to the Bar. For the court survey, Anne recommended the National Center for State Courts as a resource for what is going on nationally. They have reports on technology and court needs. In addition, other Bars may have performed similar court surveys.
5. Timothy Cordes suggested looking at outgoing/incoming technology trends and define the areas of technology.
6. Paul Raine wants to survey three areas of jurisdiction and is looking for a list of questions for those areas. The three areas are law practice, bar associations, and courts. Jeffrey Kirkey has law practice, Paul Raine has bar associations, and Mark Dobias has UP courts. Anne Vrooman suggested general questions and using the same for all three areas.
7. Both Timothy Cordes and Steve Grey are going to review the Rpost proposal for the Member Services Committee.
8. The next meeting is scheduled for 2/20/08 at 3:30. (The meeting was rescheduled 2/27/08)

Respectfully submitted,  
Will Kramer

## STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Instructions: Please report to the Bar office five business days from the Committee meeting date.

Committee: *Technology Committee*      Voting Members: *8*      Quorum: *5*

Date and Time of Meeting: *1/15/08 3:30 PM*

Location of Meeting: *Teleconference*

**Attendance:**

Member	Present	Absent	Excused	Member	Present	Absent	Excused
<i>Timothy Cordes</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Margo Runkle</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Denise Devine</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Millie Jean</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Mark Dobias</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Hon. Kirk Torbey</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Robert Fergan</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Joe Firestone</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Steven Gray</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Jeffrey Kitkey</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>William Kramer</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>James LaMacchia</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Myron Lloyd</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Reginaw Mullen</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Talisa Owens</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Vincent Polley</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Paul Reine</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Mayra Rodriguez</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Agenda:**

Please check the left-hand box if the item has an addendum or attachments, for example a listing of additional information, exhibits, schedules, and/or reports.

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