

The State Bar of Michigan

## EXTENDS A SPECIAL INVITATION

# TO

# JOIN A COMMITTEE

### Standing Committees

American Indian Law  
Annual Meeting  
Awards  
Bar Leadership Liaison Advisory  
Character & Fitness  
Civil Procedure & Courts  
Client Protection Fund  
Criminal Jurisprudence & Practice  
Diversity & Inclusion Advisory  
Domestic Violence  
Judicial Qualifications  
Law & the Media  
Law Related Education  
& Public Outreach  
Lawyer Referral Service  
Lawyers and Judges Assistance  
Libraries, Legal Research,  
and Legal Publications  
Membership Services  
Professional Ethics  
Publications and Website Advisory  
Unauthorized Practice of Law  
United States Courts  
Upper Michigan Legal  
Institute Advisory

### Justice Initiatives

Criminal Issues  
Equal Access  
Justice Policy  
Pro Bono

Dear Michigan Lawyer:

State Bar committees follow our Strategic Plan and build effective programs for the benefit of lawyers and the general public. Please join the rich history of service to the Bar through participation as a member of one of the many SBM committees. If the opportunity to become part of the Bar's efforts to improve justice in the state of Michigan appeals to you, you can explore the many possibilities for service at <http://www.michbar.org/generalinfo/committees.cfm>. If you have questions about a committee, please check the roster and contact the staff liaison for that committee.

Committee service can be demanding, so please make sure you can commit to preparing for and attending meetings several times a year. Active use of an e-mail address is required for committee work. You should also know that travel, lodging, and other personal expenses of attending committee meetings are not reimbursed.

The list of State Bar committees is on this page and online at <http://www.michbar.org/generalinfo/committees.cfm>. Take a look at the website to understand the sizes, jurisdictions, and meeting schedules and view the annual reports of committees that interest you. I encourage you to apply for committee service so you can be part of our efforts to improve State Bar programs and support lawyers, value the rule of law, and improve access to justice.

Applying for a committee appointment is easy—simply visit the website and submit the requested information such as your résumé or curriculum vitae by April 25. You'll also receive an e-mail with a link to the electronic application in early April. As president-elect, I will review the applications starting in late May and make committee appointments by September 1. Due to the volume of applications we typically receive, we cannot guarantee everyone a position on every committee they wish to join; however if you apply, I promise to make every attempt to make the best use of your interest in helping the profession and the public.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Rombach, President-Elect  
State Bar of Michigan