July 31, 2026

Elizabeth C. Kingston-Miller
Clerk of the Court
Michigan Supreme Court
P.O. Box 30052
Lansing, MI 48909

RE: ADM File No. 2026-10: Addition of Rule 2.114 and Amendment of Rule 7.209 of the Michigan Court Rules

Dear Clerk Kingston-Miller:

The Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan considered ADM File No. 2026-10 at its meeting on July 24, 2026. In its review, the Board considered recommendations from the Access to Justice Policy Committee, Civil Procedure & Courts Committee, and Justice Initiatives Committee. The Board voted unanimously to support the addition of Rule 2.114 and amendment of Rule 7.209. The contents of the proposal fairly reflect the requirements for special motions established by the Legislature under the Uniform Public Expression Protection Act, 2025 PA 52, which became effective on March 24, 2026. The State Bar believes that aligning the language of the court rules and statute promotes greater clarity and accessibility for bench and bar alike.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on ADM File No. 2026-10.

Sincerely,



Peter Cunningham
Executive Director

cc: Sarah Roth, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court
Lisa J. Hamameh, President