

2026 September Board of Commissioners Meeting - 11:00 a.m.

Schedule	Friday, September 18, 2026 11:00 AM — 12:00 PM EDT
Venue	Detroit Marriott Troy - Dennison Room
Organizer	Amy Owens

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STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
2026-2027 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Friday, September 18, 2026
Detroit Marriott Troy – Dennison Room
Wi-Fi Password: Statebar26
AGENDA
Approximately 11:00 A.M.

1. **Call to Order** Erika L. Bryant, President
2. **President’s Report**..... Erika L. Bryant, President
 - 2.1. Welcome
 - 2.2. Introduction of New Commissioners
 - 2.2.1. Robin E. Dillard-Russaw – Introduced by Commissioner Robert Easterly
 - 2.2.2. Hon. Robbie J. Gaines Jr. – Introduced by Hon. Ponce Clay
 - 2.2.3. Samantha J. Orvis – Introduced by Commissioner Thomas Murray
 - 2.2.4. Marisa A. Vinsky – Introduced by Commissioner Joshua Lerner
 - 2.2.5. Danielle Walton – Introduced by Commissioner James Low
3. **Oath of Office***..... Erika L. Bryant, President
4. **Authorize President to Appoint an Executive Committee** Erika L. Bryant, President
In accordance with Article III, Section 9 of the State Bar Bylaws, whose members will also become members of the Representative Assembly.
5. **2026-2027 Commissioner Committees*** Erika L. Bryant, President
A roster of President Bryant’s appointments to the following Commissioner Committees and Section Liaisons have been provided in Convene.
 - 5.1. Executive (Pending Authorization)
 - 5.2. Public Policy
 - 5.3. Strategic Planning and Engagement
 - 5.4. Finance and Audit
 - 5.5. Professional Standards
6. **Board Applications** Amy Owens, Senior Executive Assistant
 - 6.1. Nexonia*
 - 6.2. Convene
7. **President Speaking Engagements** Erika L. Bryant, President
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8. **2026-2027 Board of Commissioners and Representative Assembly Meeting Dates***
Erika L. Bryant, President
9. **Adjournment**

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2. President's Report

Presented by Erika L. Bryant

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Presented by James W. Low

3. Oath of Office*

Presented by Erika L. Bryant

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

OATH OF OFFICE

I do solemnly swear that I will support the
Constitution of the United States

and the Constitution of this state,

and the Supreme Court Rules Concerning
the State Bar of Michigan and that I will
faithfully discharge the duties

as Commissioner of the State Bar of
Michigan according to the best of my ability.

Name

Signature

Date



4. Authorize President to Appoint an Executive Committee

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5. 2026-2027 Commissioner Committees*

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5.2. Public Policy

5.3. Strategic Planning and Engagement

5.4. Finance and Audit

5.5. Professional Standards

6. Board Applications

Presented by Amy Owens

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6.2. Convene

7. President Speaking Engagements

Presented by Erika L. Bryant

8. 2026-2027 Board of Commissioners and Representative Assembly Meeting Dates*

Presented by Erika L. Bryant

**State Bar of Michigan
Board of Commissioners
2026-2027 Meetings**

September 18, 2026	Troy
November 20, 2026	Acme
January 22, 2027	
March 5, 2027 (If needed)	
April 16, 2027	
June 11, 2027	
July 23, 2027	
TBD	TBD

Unless indicated otherwise, meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m. and take place at the State Bar of Michigan Building, Lansing.

**State Bar of Michigan
Representative Assembly
2026-2027 Meetings**

September 18, 2026	Troy
April 17, 2027	TBD
TBD	TBD

9. Adjournment