

CALENDAR
STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
Friday, September 18, 2026
2:30 p.m. to 4:25 p.m.
(Detroit Marriott Troy / 200 W. Big Beaver Rd. / Troy, MI / 48084)

*Denotes Action Items

2:30 p.m. MEETING BEGINS

- 2:30 p.m. 1. Introductory Matters
- A. Call to order by Chair Nicole A. Evans with Parliamentarian Judge John M. Chmura
- Ms. Nicole A. Evans, Chair, Representative Assembly
[54B District Court, 101 Linden St., East Lansing, MI 48823
phone: (517) 336-8636; email: nevans@54Bdistrictcourt.com]
- Judge John M. Chmura, Parliamentarian
[37th District Court, 8300 Common Rd., #104, Warren, MI 48093
phone: (586) 574-4925; email: jchmura@37thdistrictcourt.org]
- B. Certification that a quorum is present
- Ms. Tanisha M. Davis, Clerk, Representative Assembly
[Tanisha M. Davis, Attorney-At-Law, PLLC, 17373 W. 12 Mile Road, Lathrup Village, MI 48076 / phone: (248) 996-8701; email: tdavis@tmdavislaw.com]
- C. Adoption of proposed calendar
- Ms. Mary A. Bowen, Chair, Rules & Calendar Committee
[Michigan Attorney Grievance Commission, 755 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste. 2100, Troy, MI 48084 / phone: (313) 961-6585; email: mabowen@agcmi.com]
- D. Approval of the April 26, 2026 Summary of Proceedings
- Ms. Mary A. Bowen, Chair, Rules & Calendar Committee
[Michigan Attorney Grievance Commission, 755 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste. 2100, Troy, MI 48084 / phone: (313) 961-6585; email: mabowen@agcmi.com]
- 2:30 p.m. 2. *Filling Vacancies
- Mr. Mark A. Holsomback, Chair, Nominating & Awards Committee
[8th District Court, 330 Eleanor St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007
phone: (269) 383-6426; email: mark.holsomback@kalcounty.gov]
- 2:30 p.m. 3. Presentation of the Unsung Hero Award to Rita O. White
- Presenter:
- Ms. Robyn L. McCoy
[McCoy & Associates, PLLC, 2381 E. Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor, MI 48104
phone: (734) 769-0001; email: robynlegal2019@gmail.com]
- 2:40 p.m. 4. Presentation of the Unsung Hero Award to Samuel H. Pietsch
- Presenter:
- Mr. Ven R. Johnson
[Ven Johnson Law, PLC, 1240 Woodward Ave., Ste. 525, Detroit, MI 48226
phone: (313) 324-8300; email: vjohnson@venjohnsonlaw.com]

- 2:50 p.m. 5. Presentation of the Michael Franck Award to James L. Liggins, Jr.
Presenter:
Mr. Mark A. Holsomback
[8th District Court Magistrate, 330 Eleanor St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007
phone: (269) 383-6426; email: mark.holsomback@kalcounty.gov]
- 3:00 p.m. 6. CLEAR Report
Presenter:
Chief Justice Megan K. Cavanagh
[Michigan Supreme Court, 925 W. Ottawa St., Lansing, MI 48913]
- 3:15 p.m. 7. *Proposal to Amend MCL 769.34(4)(a)
Proponent:
Mr. Lawrence R. LaSusa, Member, Representative Assembly
[LaSusa Law Offices, PLC, 4335 E. Timberwood Dr., Traverse City, MI 49686
phone: (312) 371-1200; email: llasusa@lasusalaw.com]
- 3:35 p.m. 8. *Alternative Dispute Resolution Section Proposals
Proponent:
Ms. Lisa Taylor, Chair, Legislative & Courts Procedures Action Team, ADR Section
[Taylor-Made Solutions, PLLC, 5015 Cold Spring Ln., West Bloomfield, MI 48322
phone: (248) 909-0631; email: lisataylor@apeacefuldivorce.com]
- Proposal to Amend MCR 2.411(B)(5) and MCR 3.216(E)(5)
- Proposal to Amend MCR 3.206
- Proposal to Convene a Work Group to Consider Revising Mediation Training Standards
- 4:00 p.m. 9. *Nomination and Election of Assembly Clerk
- 4:15 p.m. 10. Recognition of Assembly members completing their terms of service and Committee Chairs.
Ms. Nicole A. Evans, Chair, Representative Assembly
[54B District Court, 101 Linden St., East Lansing, MI 48823
phone: (517) 336-8636; email: nevans@54Bdistrictcourt.com]
- 4:20 p.m. 11. Swearing in of Alena M. Clark as the 2026-2027 Chairperson of the Representative Assembly.
Alena M. Clark will be sworn in by Chief Justice Megan K. Cavanagh.
[Michigan Supreme Court, 925 W. Ottawa St., Lansing, MI 48913]
- 4:25 p.m. 12. Presentation of Recognition to the Immediate Past Assembly Chair and Adjournment.