

**CALENDAR**  
**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY**

**Friday, September 19, 2025**

**2:30 p.m. to 4:45 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 John W. Reiser, III with Parliamentarian Judge John M. Chmura
- Mr. John W. Reiser, III, Chair, Representative Assembly  
[Ann Arbor City Attorney's Office, 301 E. Huron St., Fl. 3, Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
phone: (734) 794-6184; email: jreiser@a2gov.org]
- 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. Alena M. Clark, Clerk, Representative Assembly  
[Michigan Public Service Commission, 7109 W. Saginaw Hwy., Fl. 3, Lansing, MI 48917]
- 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, 2025 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  
Judge Kristina Robinson Garrett, Chair, Nominating & Awards Committee  
[Court of Appeals – District 1, 3020 W. Grand Blvd., Ste. 14-300, Detroit, MI 48202  
phone: (313) 972-5756; email: kgarrett@courts.mi.gov]
- 2:35 p.m.      3.      Presentation of the Unsung Hero Award to Kamau Wendel Allan Sandiford  
Presenter:  
Professor Tracey W. Brame  
[Associate Dean of Experiential Learning & Practice Preparation, Cooley Law School, 300 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing, MI 48933, 230 Elizabeth Lake Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341  
phone: (517) 371-5140; email: bramet@cooley.edu]
- 2:45 p.m.      4.      Presentation of the Michael Franck Award to Janet K. Welch  
Presenter:  
Mr. Gerard V. Mantese  
[Mantese Honigman, PC, 1361 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy, MI 48083  
phone: (248) 457-9200; email: gmantese@manteselaw.com]

- 2:55 p.m.      5.      \*Legal Deserts Workgroup Recommendations & Strategies for Consideration  
Workgroup Co-Chairs:  
Ms. Suzanne C. Larsen, Member, Board of Commissioners  
[City of Marquette, 300 W. Baraga Ave., Marquette, MI 49855  
phone: (906) 225-8563; email: slarsen@marquettemi.gov]
- Mr. John W. Reiser, III, Chair, Representative Assembly  
[Ann Arbor City Attorney's Office, 301 E. Huron St., Fl. 3, Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
phone: (734) 794-6184; email: jreiser@a2gov.org]
- 2:55 p.m.      *Keller-Permissibility vote*
- 3:00 p.m.      Sub-Workgroup 1 (Expanding Attorney Pathways for Legal  
Deserts) Co-Chairs:  
Ms. Kristina A. Bilowus  
[MSU College of Law, 648 N. Shaw Ln., Ste. 301, East  
Lansing, MI 48824  
phone: (517) 432-6982; email: bilowuskristina@law.msu.edu]
- Mr. Philip L. Strom  
[City of Grand Rapids, 300 Monroe Ave. NW, Unit 1, Grand  
Rapids, MI 49503  
phone: (616) 456-4000; email: pstrom@grand-rapids.mi.us]
- 3:15 p.m.      Sub-Workgroup 2 (Leveraging Technology for Broader  
Access) Co-Chairs:  
Ms. Nicole A. Evans  
[54B District Court, 101 Linden St., East Lansing, MI 48823  
phone: (517) 336-8636; email: nevans@54Bdistrictcourt.com]
- Judge Christopher S. Ninomiya  
[41<sup>st</sup> Circuit Court, P.O. Box 609, Iron Mountain, MI 49801  
phone: (906) 774-2266; email: cn@dickinsoncountymi.gov]
- 3:30 p.m.      Sub-Workgroup 3 (Enhancing Access to Physical Courthouses)  
Co-Chairs:  
Ms. Syeda F. Davidson  
[ACLU of Michigan, 2966 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48201  
phone: (313) 578-6814; email: sdavidson@aclumich.org]
- Mr. David E. Gilbert  
[Calhoun County Prosecutor's Office, 161 E. Michigan Ave.,  
Battle Creek, MI 49014  
phone: (269) 969-6980; email: dgilbert@calhouncountymi.gov]
- 3:45 p.m.      6.      \*Proposal to Amend MRPC 1.10  
Proponent:  
Edward J. Hood, Chair, Professional Ethics Committee  
[Clark Hill, PLC, 500 Woodward Ave. Ste. 3500, Detroit, MI 48226  
phone: (313) 965-8591; email: ehoo@clarkhill.com]

- 4:00 p.m.      7.      \*Proposal to Amend MRPC 4.4  
Proponent:  
Edward J. Hood, Chair, Professional Ethics Committee  
[Clark Hill, PLC, 500 Woodward Ave. Ste. 3500, Detroit, MI 48226  
phone: (313) 965-8591; email: ehoo@clarkhill.com]
- 4:20 p.m.      8.      \*Nomination and Election of Assembly Clerk
- 4:35 p.m.      9.      Recognition of Assembly members completing their terms of service and Committee Chairs.  
Mr. John W. Reiser, III, Chair, Representative Assembly  
[Ann Arbor City Attorney's Office, 301 E. Huron St., Fl. 3, Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
phone: (734) 794-6184; email: jreiser@a2gov.org]
- 4:40 p.m.      10.      Swearing in of Nicole A. Evans as the 2025-2026 Chairperson of the Representative Assembly.  
Nicole A. Evans will be sworn in by Judge Kristina Robinson Garrett.  
[Court of Appeals, 3020 W. Grand Blvd., Ste. 14-300, Detroit, MI 48202]
- 4:45 p.m.      11.      Presentation of Recognition to the Immediate Past Assembly Chair and Adjournment.

## Parliamentary Procedures At A Glance

<b>To Do This: (1)</b>	<b>You Say This:</b>	<b>May You Interrupt Speaker?</b>	<b>Must You Be Seconded?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Debatable?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Amendable?</b>	<b>What Vote Is Required?</b>
Adjourn the meeting (before all business is complete)	"I move that we "adjourn."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Not debatable	Not amendable	Majority vote
Recess the meeting	"I move that we recess "until..."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Not debatable	Amendable	Majority vote
Complain about noise, room temperature, etc.	"Point of privilege."	May interrupt speaker	No second needed	Not debatable (2)	Not amendable	None (3)
Suspend further consideration of something	"I move we table it."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Not debatable	Not amendable	Majority vote
End debate	"I move the previous "question."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Not debatable	Not amendable	Two-thirds vote
Postpone consideration of something	"I move we postpone "this matter until..."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Debatable	Amendable	Majority vote
Have something studied further	"I move we refer this "matter to a committee."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Debatable	Amendable	Majority vote
Amend a motion	"I move that this motion "be amended by..."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Debatable	Amendable	Majority vote
Introduce business (a primary motion)	"I move that..."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Debatable	Amendable	Majority vote

### Notes

1. These motions or points are listed in established order of precedence. When any one of them is pending, you may not introduce another that's listed below it. But you may introduce another that's listed above it
2. In this case, any resulting motion is debatable.
3. Chair decides.

## Parliamentary Procedures At A Glance (continued)

<b>To Do This: (4)</b>	<b>You Say This:</b>	<b>May You Interrupt Speaker?</b>	<b>Must You Be Seconded?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Debatable?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Amendable?</b>	<b>What Vote Is Required?</b>
Object to procedure or to a personal affront	"Point of order."	May interrupt the speaker	No second needed	Not debatable	Not amendable	None (3)
Request information	"Point of information."	If urgent, may interrupt speaker	No second needed	Not debatable	Not amendable	None
Ask for a vote by actual count to verify a voice count	"I call for a division of the house."	May not interrupt speaker (5)	No second needed	Not debatable	Not amendable	None unless someone objects (6)
Object to considering some undiplomatic or improper matter	"I object to consideration of this question."	May interrupt speaker	No second needed	Not debatable	Not amendable	Two-thirds vote required
Take up a matter previously tabled	"I move we take from the table..."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Not debatable	Not amendable	Majority required
Reconsider something already disposed of	"I move we now (or later) reconsider our action relative to..."	May interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Debatable it original motion is debatable	Not amendable	Majority required
Consider something out of its scheduled order	"I move we suspend the rules and consider..."	May not interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Not debatable	Not amendable	Two-thirds vote required
Vote on a ruling by the chair	"I appeal the chair's decision."	May interrupt speaker	Must be seconded	Debatable	Not amendable	Majority in the negative required to reverse chair's decision

### Notes

4. The motions, points and proposals have no established order of precedence. Any of them may be introduced at any time except when the meeting is considering one of the top three matters listed in the chart (motion to adjourn, motion to recess, point of privilege).
5. But division must be called for before another motion is started.
6. Then majority vote is required.