

# SBM STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Dear Michigan Lawyer:

State Bar committees follow our Strategic Plan and build effective programs for the benefit of both lawyers and the general public. Please join the rich history of service to the Bar through participation as a member in 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 by examining the committee jurisdictions, annual reports, size and terms, and meeting schedules located at <http://www.michbar.org/generalinfo/committees.cfm>.

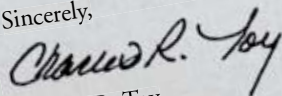
Service to the committees can be demanding, so please make sure you can commit to preparing for and attending meetings several times a year. When considering committee service, you should also know that travel and other personal expenses of attending committee meetings are not reimbursed.

If you are currently serving on a standing or special committee, please check your committee's website to determine when your term on the committee expires. If your term expires in 2009 and you are interested and eligible to serve another term, you must submit an electronic application of interest, available at <http://www.michbar.org/sections/nomination.cfm>, and complete the application process by May 15. Your committee staff liaison can answer questions you may have about this process.

If you are not currently serving on a committee, you can start the application process by visiting <http://www.michbar.org/sections/nomination.cfm> and submitting the information requested by May 15. If you wish to include curriculum vitae, please e-mail it to [sbmcommittees@mail.michbar.org](mailto:sbmcommittees@mail.michbar.org) with the subject "Application of Interest Attachment."

As president-elect, I will review and evaluate the work of each committee and its membership in early summer, and work with the chairpersons and staff liaisons of each committee to review the applications and résumés received. The appointments for the committee will be announced no later than September 1, 2009, and applicants will be notified by letter of the decision regarding their applications. Final committee rosters will be posted on committee web pages in early October.

Sincerely,



Charles R. Toy  
President-Elect, State Bar of Michigan

This year, the committee application process will be conducted electronically. You can apply by visiting: <http://www.michbar.org/sections/nomination.cfm>.

Please direct any questions about the process to Candace Crowley, [ccrowley@mail.michbar.org](mailto:ccrowley@mail.michbar.org), (517) 346-6319.

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Judicial Qualifications  
Jury Instructions, Standard Criminal  
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Law and the Media  
Lawyers and Judges Assistance  
Libraries, Legal Research and Legal Publications  
Membership Services  
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Public Outreach  
Publications and Website Advisory  
Technology  
Unauthorized Practice of the Law  
United States Courts  
Upper Michigan Legal Institute

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Lawyer Referral Service  
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