

UpFront

By Samantha Meinke

SBM Board of Commissioners 2013–2014



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Seated from left to right: Lawrence Nolan, Thomas Rombach, Brian Einhorn, Lori Buiteweg, and Donald Rockwell. *Standing:* Danielle Brown, Colleen Pero, Victoria Radke, Richard Cunningham, Jennifer Grieco, D. Ran-

dall Gilmer, Felicia Johnson, Richard Siri-
ani, Hope Shovein, Gregory Ulrich, Edward
Haroutunian, Margaret Costello, Vanessa
Peterson Williams, Danielle Mason Ander-
son, David Brake, Timothy Burns, E. Thomas

McCarthy, C. Thomas Ludden, Maureen Mc-
Ginnis, Stephen Gobbo, Robert Buchanan,
Kathleen Allen, and Andrea Irons. *Not pic-
tured:* Dennis Barnes, Jules Olsman, Daniel
Quick, and Hon. Michael Riordan. ■

Cooley Students and Faculty Deliver Hundreds of Thanksgiving Meals



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Cooley Law School students and their families filled boxes with everything needed to prepare a Thanksgiv-
ing meal.

Thomas M. Cooley Law School students and faculty gathered at the school's Auburn Hills campus November 24 to prepare and deliver nearly 200 Thanksgiving meals to needy families as part of the Cooley Cares community outreach program. The group worked with two local charities, St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church in Pontiac and the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries (Genesis House No. 2), an organization that provides temporary housing to women and children who are victims of domestic violence or drug-related issues. ■

2013–2014 Justice Initiatives Community Meets at State Bar Building

The State Bar of Michigan's Justice Initiatives community held its first meeting in September at the State Bar building in Lansing. The community consists of the Committee on Justice Initiatives, which oversees the Criminal Issues, Equal Access, Justice Policy, and Pro Bono initiatives. The committee develops and recommends proposals for the effective delivery of high-quality legal services in Michigan that are equal and fair to all. The Criminal Issues Initiative strives to address issues of indigent criminal defense in Michigan and educate the legal community on civil collateral consequences. The Equal Access Initiative develops policies and programs for underserved populations and groups with special needs or facing barriers to access. The Justice Policy Initiative represents the interests of persons unable to afford civil legal services and works with legal aid programs serving them. The Pro Bono Initiative supports and encourages lawyers' efforts to comply with the Voluntary Pro Bono Standard by performing pro bono legal services and donating to organizations providing free legal services to the poor. ■



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Front row from left to right: SBM President Brian Einhorn, Catherine O'Meara, Jessica Fox, Regina Wright, Kelly Bidelman, and Desiree Ferguson. Second row: Hon. Cynthia Stephens, Erika Davis, Hon. Mabel Johnson Mayfield, and Valerie Newman. Third row: Aaron Burrell, Todd Morgan, Heather Abraham, Linda Rexer, Kimberly Paulson, Hon. Angela Sherigan, and Jennifer Belveal. Fourth row: Dan Levy, Maya Watson, Justin Sheehan, Margaret (Peggy) Costello, Mark Cody, Tonya Phillips, Heather Garretson, and Lorry Brown. Back row: Nick Ohanesian, Rob Willis, SBM President-Elect Thomas Rombach, Syeda Davidson, Mike Blau, Hon. Jeffrey Dufon, and Bob Gillett. Not pictured: C. Michael Bryce, Hon. William Caprathe, Caridad Cardinale, Raymond Carey, Yasmin Elias, Pamela Enslin, J. Kay Felt, Hon. Patricia Fresard, Hon. Katherine Hansen, Hon. Denise Page Hood, Joan Howard, Kirsten Inquilla, Adrienne Johnson, Linda Johnson, Hemant Keskar, David Koelsch, Ashley Lowe, Keith Morris, Nancy Mullett, Heidi Naasko, Jill Nylander, Sandra Parker, Kenneth Penokie, Marcy Rosen, Amy Sankaran, Christine Seppala, Terri Stangl, Hon. Paul Teranes, Laurin' Roberts Thomas, Thomas Thornburg, Cynthia Ward, and Michael Woodyard.