

Women in the law

To the Editor:

I noted with interest the timeline at the bottom of pages 22–33 of the May 2018 *Michigan Bar Journal*. Page 33 references that Judge Charlene M. Elder is widely believed to be the first Muslim female appointed to a judgeship in the U.S. in 2006.

This information is incorrect. The first Muslim female appointed to a judgeship in the U.S. was Mona K. Majzoub, who was appointed a magistrate judge to the bench of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan on January 6, 2004.

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Work smarter, not harder

To the Editor:

There is a more efficient way to replace straight quotes with smart quotes than manually replacing them after searching as outlined in Matthew R. Salzwedel's "Review of

Matthew Butterick's *Typography for Lawyers* (Part 2)" in the November 2018 *Michigan Bar Journal*.

To the right of the search box that opens when you type <Ctrl+F> (just past the magnifying glass) is a down arrow for more search options. One of these is "Replace." If you click on this, you are presented with a dialogue box called "Find and Replace." All you have to do is type quotation marks (") into the "Find what:" field and type quotation marks (") into the "Replace with:" field, click "Replace All," and you are done! You can also use this to replace straight apostrophes in your document with smart ones.

Pro tip: you can use this to get rid of double spaces after periods or in other spots in your documents. Type "[space-bar]+[space-bar]" into the "Find what:" field and "[space-bar]" into the "Replace with:" field. Note: you may have to run this several times if you are trying to fix a document created by an OCR program.

If you want to avoid changing your inch and foot marks, you can use the "Find Next" button to review each occurrence and only click "Replace" on the ones you want to change.

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ABA House of Delegates—State Bar Delegate

One vacancy for a two-year term beginning at the close of the ABA Annual Meeting in August 2019.

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Letters should be addressed to:

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