

## Access to Justice Policy – Standing Committee

### Jurisdiction

Support the State Bar of Michigan’s public policy program by:

- Reviewing and making recommendations on proposed court rules and legislation concerning access to justice, particularly access policy issues that impact underserved populations
- Making recommendations for administrative, court rule, and statutory changes concerning access to justice, particularly access policy issues that impact underserved populations
- Conferring and coordinating regularly with the Access to Justice, Affordable Services, and Online Legal Resource and Referral committees

**Committee Chairs:** Lorry Brown and Valerie Newman

**Staff Liaisons:** Peter Cunningham and Kathryn Hennessey

**Meetings:** In-person: 0; Electronic or phone: 6

### Committee Activities

1. Since May 2018, the committee has reviewed 27 public policy items and made recommendations on 10 legislative bills and 12 proposed court rules.

*Goal 3: Strategy 5: Pursuing permissible and achievable public policy goals, while minimizing divisiveness and encouraging member input and diverse points of view on public policy issues*

### Special Committee Characteristics

This committee may have more than 15 members.