

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
2010-2011 COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT**

Article VI §6, Bylaws of the State Bar of Michigan

No later than May 1 of each year, the chair of each committee and subentity of the Bar, with the assistance of the staff liaison, shall report to the Executive Director on a form provided by the State Bar on the activities and accomplishments of the committee or subentity.

Committee Name: Law and the Media

Jurisdiction: Develop, recommend, and support programs that promote a positive relationship between the law and the media.

Study and identify sources of friction between the courts, lawyers, and the electronic and print press, and recommend solutions.

Chair(s) and Committee Members:

Officer	Name	Address	Telephone	Email
Chair	Cecil Jesse Green	Michigan Association for Justice 6639 Centurion Dr Ste 120 Lansing, MI 48917-8273	(517) 321-3073	jessegreen@michiganjustice.org
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Member/Advisor/Other	Member/Advisor/Other
Daniel J. Cherrin, member	Robin Eugenia Dillard, member
Andrew S. Doctoroff, member	Douglas I. Durfee, member
Abigail Elias, member	Cameron J. Evans, member
Johnny L. Hawkins, member	Elizabeth M. Madigan, member
Tracey M. Martin-Henry, member	Kathleen M. Oemke, RA
Jienelle Raye Smith, member	Kenneth V. Zichi, member

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Committee Meeting Schedule:

Please attach any additional information needed regarding Committee meetings as an addendum.

Meeting Type	Date	Location
Description		
Teleconference	Nov. 17, 2010	
Teleconference	Jan. 26, 2011	
Teleconference	March 23, 2011	

Resources provided by the State Bar of Michigan in support of committee work:

Helping to arrange and coordinate seminars, prepare media kits, administer the entire McCree awards process from the initial announcement to post-banquet publicity.

Committee Activities:

Dealing with the Media Seminar: January 19, 2011

Seminar was presented to more than 30 people belonging to the Metro Bureau, a consortium of educational institutions at the College of Education at Wayne State University. Members participating: Jesse Green, Dan Cherrin, Abigail Elias, Kenneth Zichi.

Newsroom Seminar: Michigan Radio in Ann Arbor

Feb. 17, 2011. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Participants: Jesse Green and Cam Evans.
Other participants: John Van Bolt, Barry Howard, Marcia McBrien.
Ten journalists attended. Well received.

McCree Awards Banquet: April 17, at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing. Nine journalists were honored in conjunction with the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame event hosted by MSU. State Bar President Tony Jenkins and the Hon. Wade Harper McCree presented the awards.

Dealing with the Media Seminar: April 29, in Mt. Pleasant for the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan. Participant: Jesse Green.

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Dealing with the Media Seminar: June 11, 2011 on Mackinac Island.
Members participating: Jesse Green, Cam Evans and Andy Doctoroff.

Future Goals and Activities:

The committee is always exploring new ways to reach journalists and lawyers interested in media interactions. The committee is in the process of reviewing and updating its handout materials.

Other Information: