2016 Representative Assembly Reapportionment

In accordance with Rule 6 of the Supreme Court Rules Concerning the State Bar of Michigan, Representative Assembly, Section 3, Election Districts; Apportionment:

“The assembly shall apportion the representatives every 6 years. The judicial circuits are the election districts. Each judicial circuit is entitled to one representative. The remaining seats are to be apportioned among the circuits on the basis of lawyer population, determined on February 1 of the reapportionment year.”

The study for the 2016 reapportionment was conducted by State Bar staff based on February 1, 2016 member data, and resulted in the following recommended changes to RA circuit representation:

Circuit 3 – Wayne County – reduction of 1 representative from 18 approved in the 2010 study to 17.

Circuit 17 – Kent County – increase of 1 representative from 7 approved in the 2010 study to 8.

Circuit 25 – Marquette County – increase of 1 representative from 1 approved in the 2010 study to 2.

Circuit 30 – Ingham County – decrease of 1 representative from 8 approved in the 2010 study to 7.

On February 18, 2016, the Representative Assembly leadership discussed the reapportionment changes with staff, and approved the changes for publication in the March 2016 Michigan Bar Journal election notice.