MEMORANDUM

To:    Representative Assembly Members

From:  Daniel D. Quick, Chair

Date:  April 30, 2016

Rule 6, Section 6, of the Supreme Court Rules concerning the State Bar of Michigan provides that any vacancy in the membership of the Assembly shall be filled by appointment of the Assembly's membership upon nomination of the remaining representatives from the judicial circuit or, if there are none, the State Bar recognized local bar association in the judicial circuit. The Assembly's Nominating & Awards Committee is responsible for soliciting and presenting nominations to the Assembly.

There are vacancies in the following judicial circuits for the current Bar year, for which the lawyers listed below are nominated.

6th Judicial Circuit (2): 2 interim appointments to vacancies for the balance of terms expiring at the close of the 2017 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

Shannon M. Smith, Bloomfield Hills
Henry S. Gornbein, Birmingham

14th Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

Karen E. Groenhout, Muskegon

17th Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

Michael P. Hanrahan, Grand Rapids

20th Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2016 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

Maureen Burns Van Hoven, Jenison

28th Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2017 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

Melissa J. Ransom, Lake City

29th Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

Kathryn L. Bolinger, Ithaca

30th Judicial Circuit (4): 3 interim appointments to vacancies for the balance of terms expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

Mwanaisha Atieno Sims, East Lansing
Stephen J. Gobbo, Lansing
Yolanda M. Bennett, Lansing
1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2016 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.
Christopher Lee Jackson, Lansing

31st Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2016 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.
Gerrow D. Mason, Marysville

32nd Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.
Hon. Michael K. Pope, Bessemer

33rd Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.
Katrina Dawn Martin, Charlevoix

42nd Judicial Circuit (2): 2 interim appointments to vacancies for the balance of terms expiring at the close of the 2016 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.
Jessica L. Robison, Midland
Angela M. Cole, Midland

47th Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.
Benjamin Z. Parmet, Escanaba

53rd Judicial Circuit: 1 interim appointment to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring at the close of the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.
Melissa Goodrich, Rogers City

Interim appointments to vacancies are for the April 30, 2016 Assembly meeting only as a candidate elected in the June election to a seat held by an interim appointee takes his or her seat immediately following certification of the election results.

An interim appointee to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring in 2016 who wishes to continue serving on the Assembly must file an election petition with the State Bar of Michigan, as provided for in Rule 6, Section 4 of the Supreme Court Rules concerning the State Bar of Michigan, by April 30, 2016 to seek election for a three-year term and the person elected shall take his or her seat immediately.

Similarly, an interim appointee to a vacancy for the balance of a term expiring in 2017 or 2018 who wishes to continue serving on the Assembly must file an election petition with the State Bar of Michigan, as provided for in Rule 6, Section 4 of the Supreme Court Rules concerning the State Bar of Michigan, by April 30, 2016 to seek election for the remaining term of the seat to which the person was appointed and the person elected shall take his or her seat immediately.