CALENDAR
STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2009
9:00AM – 3:30PM

Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Marquis Ballroom, Second Floor
600 Town Center Drive, Dearborn

*Denotes Action Items

PLEASE NOTE: MEETING BEGINS AT 9:00 A.M.

9:00 a.m. 1. Introductory Matters
A. Call to order by Chairperson, Katherine Kakish with Parliamentarian,
   Hon. John M. Chmura
   [Katherine Kakish, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Licensing & Regulation Division,
    Cadillac Place, 3030 West Grand Blvd., Ste., 10-200, Detroit, MI 48202
    phone: (313) 456-0040; email: kakishk@michigan.gov]
   [Hon. John M. Chmura, 37th District Court, 8300 Common Rd # 104, Warren, MI 48093
    phone: (586) 574-4925; email: jchmura@cityofwarren.org]
B. Certification that a quorum is present by Assembly Clerk, Victoria A. Radke, Esq.
   [524 Ludington St., Ste. 201, Escanaba, MI 49829
    phone: (906) 789-1022; email: vrlawpc@charterinternet.com]
C. *Adoption of proposed calendar by Chair, Rules & Calendar, Michael K. Pope, Esq.
   [Dean & Pope PC, 204 Harrison St., Ironwood, MI 49938-1776
    phone: (906) 932-4010; email: deanandpope@sbcglobal.net]
D. *Approval of the April 18, 2009 summary of proceedings

9:05 a.m. 2. Introduction of Michigan Attorney General, Michael A. Cox
Ms. Katherine Kakish
Chairperson, Representative Assembly
[3030 West Grand Blvd., Ste., 10-200, Detroit, MI 48202
   phone: (313) 456-0040; email: kakishk@michigan.gov]

9:10 a.m. 3. Remarks from Michigan Attorney General, Michael A. Cox
[Attorney General, Dept of Attorney General, PO Box 30212, G Mennen Wms Building,
   Floor 7, Lansing, MI 48909-7712
   phone: (517) 373-1110; email: miag@michigan.gov]

9:30 a.m. 4. *Filling Vacancies
Mr. Jeff C. Nellis, Esq.
Chair, Assembly Nominating and Awards Committee
[121 E Ludington Ave., Ste 12, Ludington, MI 49431-2194,
   phone: (231) 845-1820; email: jcnellisatty@yahoo.com]
9:35 a.m. 5. Presentation of the Michael Franck Award to Daniel F. Bonner  
Presenter: David B. Kortering, Esq.  
Member, Representative Assembly  
[David B. Kortering, Kortering Law Firm, 450 Morris Ave., Ste 303  
Muskegon, MI 49440-1104  
phone: (231) 728-6411; email: ldkortering@aol.com]

9:50 a.m. 6. Presentation of the Unsung Hero Award to Brian M. Barkey  
Presenter: Bernhardt D. Christenson, III, Esq.  
Member, State Bar Board of Commissioners & Young Lawyers Section Chair  
[Bernhardt D. Christenson, III, Christenson & Fiederlein PC, 302 E Court St.,  
Flint, MI 48502-1612  
phone: (810) 232-1112; email: cchristenson@cflegal.net]

10:05 a.m. 7. Presentation of the Unsung Hero Award to Kelly Kathleen Burris  
Presenter: Elizabeth C. Jolliffe  
Member, Representative Assembly  
[Your Benchmark Coach, 543 5th St., Ann Arbor, MI 48103-4838  
phone: (734) 663-7905; email: elizabeth@yourbenchmarkcoach.com]

10:20 a.m. 8. Break

10:30 a.m. 9. Remarks from the Chair  
Ms. Katherine Kakish, Esq.  
Chair, Representative Assembly  
[Assistant Attorney General, Licensing & Regulation Division,  
Cadillac Place, 3030 West Grand Blvd., Ste., 10-200, Detroit, MI 48202  
phone: (313) 456-0040; email: kakishk@michigan.gov]  
- Questions & Answers

10:40 a.m. 10. Remarks from the President  
Mr. Edward H. Pappas, Esq.  
President, State Bar of Michigan  
[Dickinson Wright, PLLC, 38525 Woodward Ave., Ste. 2000, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304  
phone: (248) 433-7228; email: epappas@dickinsonwright.com]  
- Questions & Answers

10:50 a.m. 11. Remarks from the Executive Director  
Ms. Janet K. Welch, Esq.  
[State Bar of Michigan, 306 Townsend St., Lansing, MI 48933,  
phone: (517) 346-6375; email: jwelch@mail.michbar.org]  
- Questions & Answers

11:00 a.m. 12. Public Defense Update  
Ms. Elizabeth Lyon  
[Director of Governmental Relations, State Bar of Michigan, 306 Townsend St.,  
Lansing, MI 48933  
phone: (517) 346-6325; email elyon@mail.michbar.org]  
- Questions & Answers

11:25 a.m. 13. American Bar Association House of Delegates Report  
Ms. Vanessa Peterson Williams, Esq.  
Member, Representative Assembly  
[Deputy General Counsel, R.L. Polk & Co., 26955 Northwestern Hwy,  
Southfield, MI 48033-4713  
phone: (248) 728-7250; email: vanessa_williams@polk.com]
11:30 a.m.  14. *Consideration of Canon 2 – The Hiring of Court Employees  
Presenter: Stephen J. Gobbo, Esq.  
Member, Representative Assembly  
[State of Michigan, PO Box 24222, Lansing, MI 48909-4222  
phone: (517) 241-9267; email: gobbos@michigan.gov]  
Proponent: Matthew R. Abel, Esq.  
Member, Representative Assembly  
[450 W Fort St., Fl 200, Detroit, MI 48226-3169  
phone: (248) 866-0864; email: attorneyabel@riseup.net]  
- Invited to comment: All State Bar Sections, Committees & Members  
- Assembly Debate

11:40 a.m.  15. Update on Consideration of Revised Uniform Arbitration Act  
Presenter: Stephen J. Gobbo, Esq.  
Member, Representative Assembly  
[State of Michigan, PO Box 24222, Lansing, MI 48909-4222  
phone: (517) 241-9267; email: gobbos@michigan.gov]

11:45 a.m.  16. **Inaugural Luncheon**

2:00 p.m.  17. *Consideration of Proposed Amendment to MCR 6.302 Pleas of Guilty and Nolo Contendere  
Proponent: Richard L. Cunningham, Esq.  
Member, Board of Commissioners  
[Assistant Attorney General, Michigan Dept of Attorney General, 3030 W Grand Blvd.,  
Ste. 10-354, Detroit, MI 48202-6030  
phone: (313) 456-0204; email: CunninghamR3@michigan.gov]  
- Invited to comment: All State Bar Sections, Committees & Members  
- Assembly Debate

2:20 p.m.  18. *Consideration of Proposed MCR 8.127 – Attorney Solicitation  
Proponent: Elizabeth A. Sadowski, Esq.  
Member, Representative Assembly  
[Colbert Shepard & Sadowski LLP, 431 6th St., Rochester, MI 48307-1401  
phone: (248) 652-4000; email: sadowski@mindspring.com]  
- Invited to comment: All State Bar Sections, Committees & Members  
- Assembly Debate

2:45 p.m.  19. Nomination and Election of Assembly Clerk

3:00 p.m.  20. Introduction of Chief Justice Marilyn J. Kelly, Michigan Supreme Court

3:05 p.m.  21. Swearing in of Elizabeth M. Johnson as 2009-2010 Chairperson of the Representative  
Assembly. (Elizabeth M. Johnson will be sworn in by Chief Justice Marilyn J. Kelly, Michigan  
Supreme Court)

3:20 p.m.  22. Presentation of Recognition to Assembly members completing their terms of service,  
Committee Chairs and the Immediate Past Assembly Chair

3:30 p.m.  23. Adjournment

Attendance forms are circulated and collected at the conclusion of the meeting