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The Honorable Roger Kahn, M.D.

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RE: SB 992 Jury Reform

Lansing, MI

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Dear Senator Kahn:

At its April 2008 meeting, the State Bar of Michigan's Board of Commissioners unanimously voted to **oppose SB 992**. The position was adopted after reviewing a recommendation by the State Bar's Civil Procedure and Court's Committee. The Committee expressed concern that legislation could cause problems with securing sufficient jurors in all courts, particularly those in less populous areas.

If you would like to discuss this position in further detail or have questions, please contact us directly at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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