

January 31, 2023

Larry S. Royster Clerk of the Court Michigan Supreme Court P.O. Box 30052 Lansing, MI 48909

RE: ADM File No. 2022-32 – Proposed Amendments of Rules 7.201, 7.202, 7.203, 7.204, 7.205, 7.206, 7.207, 7.208, 7.209, 7.210, 7.211, 7.212, 7.213, 7.215, 7.216, 7.217, and 7.219 of the Michigan Court Rules

Dear Clerk Royster:

At its January 20, 2023 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan considered ADM File No. 2022-32. In its review, the Board considered recommendations from the Bar's Access to Justice Policy Committee, Civil Procedure & Courts Committee, and Criminal Jurisprudence & Practice Committee, as well as the Appellate Practice Section. The Board supports the objective of aligning the Rules with existing court practice and appreciates the Court's ongoing effort to incorporate plain language best practices whenever possible. As such, the Board voted unanimously to support the proposed amendments.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendments.

Sincerely,

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Peter Cunningham Executive Director

cc: Sarah Roth, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court James W. Heath, President