SBM STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

March 19, 2025

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

RE: ADM File No. 2024-38: Proposed Amendment of Administrative Order No. 1985-5

Dear Clerk Royster:

The Board of Commissioners of the State Bar of Michigan has considered ADM File No. 2024-38. In its review, the Board considered recommendations from the Access to Justice Policy, Civil Procedure & Courts, and Criminal Jurisprudence & Practice Committees. The Board voted to support ADM File No. 2024-38.

The Board further recommends that the required Michigan Judicial Institute certification training for juvenile court staff be offered more frequently, either virtually or in person, in whole or in part, to facilitate compliance with the Administrative Order's provisions.

The Bar appreciates the Court's ongoing efforts to fully implement the recommendations of the Michigan Task Force on Juvenile Justice Reform, of which ADM File No. 2024-38 is but the latest example.

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

Sincerely,

Peter Cunningham Executive Director

cc: Sarah Roth, Administrative Counsel, Michigan Supreme Court Joseph P. McGill, President

