

# Order

Michigan Supreme Court  
Lansing, Michigan

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Robert P. Young, Jr.,  
Chief Justice

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Amendment of Rule 2.507  
of the Michigan Court Rules

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On order of the Court, following a request for input to various stakeholders and as indicated in the order entered June 29, 2011, that stated the “Court will review the efficacy of the rules adopted in this order in the fall of 2014,” and with continued consideration having been given to the results of the pilot project that was authorized by Administrative Order No. 2008-2, the following amendment of Rule 2.507 of the Michigan Court Rules is adopted, effective January 1, 2015.

[Additions are indicated by underlining and deletions are indicated by strikeover.]

Rule 2.507 Conduct of Trials

(A)-(C)[Unchanged.]

(D) Court View. On application of either party or on its own initiative, the court sitting as trier of fact without a jury may view property or a place where a material event occurred.

(D)-(F)[Relettered (E)-(G), but otherwise unchanged.]

*Staff Comment:* This amendment allows a court view when a court is sitting as trier of fact instead of a jury. The provision, which had been included in former MCR 2.513, was eliminated with the adoption of various jury reform proposals in 2011.

The staff comment is not an authoritative construction by the Court.



I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

October 22, 2014

  
Clerk