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The Michigan Association of Circuit Administrators met on October 24, 2013 where the proposed amendment was reviewed and discussed. We wish to endorse the changes being proposed to this court rule which we understand provides explicit authority for courts to use audio and video recording equipment to make a record of court proceedings. The use of this equipment has been tested and proven by the experience of many courts throughout the state for several decades. Many courts have found it to be an accurate and efficient method of recording court proceedings.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment.

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