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

Re: ADM File No. 2013-18 - Comments to Proposed E Filing Standards

Dear Mr. Royster.

The Third Circuit Court's comments to the Proposed E Filing Standards concern proposed Standards 2.1 and 3.1.3. We believe that Standards 2.1 and 3.1.3 are incomplete.

As drafted, these Standards provide that the users will pay fees at the state wide portal and not the local portal. Not addressed is how those fees will be transmitted to local courts/local funding units. We believe that these Standards should ensure that these fees are transmitted directly to local courts. Also, the Standards should provide that the collection and transmission of fees to the local courts, where applicable, should be in accordance with established local business practices and in accordance with those contracts that exist between local courts and their respective providers of e-filing services.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. R. Kocab", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Elizabeth R. Kocab