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Chief Justice Young:

Last month I received your letter requesting comments from the Michigan Probate Judges Association on the proposed MCR 1.111 and the alternative provisions offered for consideration. The matter was referred to the MPJA Executive Board which considered the language and voted as follows:

The Board has voted to endorse **Alternative A of Paragraph B of proposed MCR 1.111**. This was identified as the "middle ground" of the three alternatives. This is also the recommendation of the LEP committee of which I am a member.

The Board also endorses **Alternative A of Paragraph (F) (4)**, with the suggested language to read "to pay or reimburse the interpreter costs" in both (a) and (b). This is also consistent with the LEP committee recommendation.

The only dissent was a comment from Judge Darlene O'Brien that she felt "parties in interest" should be defined. That term is only used in Alternative B of Paragraph B, but she felt there should be some direction as to how far beyond "parties" judges need to go to cover interpreter costs.

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