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Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

Online video examines role of oral arguments in the Michigan Supreme Court

[*Press release*](#)

Detroit Free Press: Michigan appeals court halts Ingham County judge's rulings that Detroit bankruptcy was improper

"The Michigan Court of Appeals has granted a stay of Ingham County Circuit Court Judge Rosemarie Aquilina's rulings that Detroit's bankruptcy filing violated the state's constitution. The three-judge panel, consisting of Appeals Judges Michael Kelly, Patrick Meter and Stephen Borrello, ruled Tuesday afternoon that the order in three cases involving Detroit's pension systems and the temporary restraining order against moving forward with the bankruptcy was halted pending the resolution of the case."

[*Full story*](#)

Also see:

The Detroit News: Court of Appeals halts order to withdraw Detroit bankruptcy petition

[*Full story*](#)

WDIV-TV(4)/Detroit: Court considers Snyder's appeal of judge's ruling against Detroit bankruptcy filing

[*Full story*](#)

Detroit Free Press: Chief judge removed from 36th District Court, won't help with court takeover

"The Michigan Supreme Court has removed Judge Kenneth King from his position as chief judge of Detroit's 36th District Court, saying he was unwilling to assist the special judicial administrator who took control of the financially troubled court. Judge Michael J. Talbot of the Michigan Court of Appeals was appointed by the high court in May following a stinging assessment of the 36th District Court by the National Center for State Courts."

[*Full story*](#)

Also see:

The Detroit News: Chief judge removed as head of 36th District Court

[*Full story*](#)

Associated Press: Michigan high court removes Detroit chief judge

[*Full story*](#)

Note: The article also ran in the Daily Tribune, the Macomb Daily and the Midland Daily News.

WJBK-TV(2)/Detroit: Judge Kenneth King removed as head of 36th District Court

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WXYZ-TV(7)/Detroit: The chief judge of 36th District Court was removed as chief, but will remain on the bench

[*Full story*](#)

Detroit Free Press: Detroit bankruptcy judge: I'll decide city pension funds case

"The contentious dispute between the City of Detroit and the city's pension funds will be decided by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Steven Rhodes in a federal courtroom and not in state court in Ingham County, Rhodes has declared. In an order filed Monday, Rhodes said he will hold a hearing at 10 a.m. Wednesday to consider the city's request to put all lawsuits filed before the city filed for bankruptcy on hold."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

The Detroit News: Judge outlines strict courtroom guidelines, limited access for bankruptcy hearing

[Full story](#)

Bay City Times: Judge blocks Bay City's efforts to demolish rental home, for now

"A California man's Bay City rental property, termed blighted by city officials, has avoided demolition for now. Bay County Circuit Judge Kenneth W. Schmidt ordered the city to remove 801 Fraser St. from its to-be-razed list, at least temporarily, at a Monday, July 22, hearing."

[Full story](#)

The Cadillac News: District court judge to be appointed in Wexford County

"A decision to not eliminate a judge position in Wexford County has been followed by an announcement of a judicial vacancy to find a replacement for retired Judge David Hogg. The State Bar of Michigan has posted notice of a judicial vacancy in the 84th District Court in Wexford County. The announcement is a further sign of certainty that the judge's seat will be retained after Hogg retired at the beginning of the year."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

The MiLW Blog: Wexford County will retain judgeship ... so it seems

[Full story](#)

The Daily News/Greenville: Montcalm County commissioners considering budget requests

"... Sheriff Bill Barnwell proposed increasing the hourly wage of court security officers from \$12.50 to \$14. The hourly salary has been set at about \$12 since the court complex opened in 2002. Court security officials in Ionia County earn \$18 per hour, while court security officers in Gratiot County earn \$14 per hour."

[Full story](#)

Saginaw News: Saginaw County 'in for some challenges' if Legislature approves loss of district judge spot

"Two years ago, Saginaw County retained all its judges in spite of a determination that one position could be eliminated. Now, the judicial system again is facing the prospect of such a loss. If the state Legislature follows the State Court Administrator Office's June recommendation to drop the number of Saginaw County judges to 12, those who will remain will be 'in for some challenges,' says Saginaw County Chief District Judge M. Randall Jurens."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

The MiLW Blog: Saginaw County 'in for some challenges' if legislature takes a judge away

[Full story](#)

Three Rivers Commercial-News: Courts appreciate jurors

"Judges Jeffrey Middleton, Robert Pattison, Paul Stutesman, David Tomlinson, St. Joseph County Clerk Pattie Bender and the staff of the St. Joseph County Courts, extend our sincere gratitude to those who serve jury duty. Through your service, you have ensured that the right to trial by a jury is guaranteed for all in our community. July has been declared Juror Appreciation Month by the Michigan Supreme Court to honor those who answer the call to jury service."

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