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MEDIA ADVISORY

Report: Problem-Solving Courts Lower Recidivism, Save Taxpayers Money and Reduce Unemployment among Graduates

- Who:** Justice Joan L. Larsen, Michigan Supreme Court
Judge Geno Salomone, President, Michigan Association of Treatment Court Professionals & 23rd District Regional DWI in Court in Taylor
Judge Mark W. Latchana, 7th Circuit Adult Drug Treatment Court in Burton
Judge Thomas P. Boyd, 55th District Mental Health Treatment Court in Mason
Judge Terrence P. Bronson, Monroe County Veterans Treatment Court in Monroe
Problem-Solving Court Graduate
- What:** Release of the 2015 MSC Problem-Solving Court Annual Report, “Solving Problems, Saving Lives,” which highlights the achievements of Michigan’s drug, sobriety, mental health, and veterans treatment courts in improving outcomes for graduates and for Michigan communities.
- When:** Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 1:30PM
- Where:** Michigan Hall of Justice - Front Steps*
925 W. Ottawa St.
Lansing, MI 48915
- Why:** The Michigan Supreme Court is committed to measuring court performance in order to improve outcomes and service to the public. These “problem-solving” courts improve outcomes for offenders by diverting them into special programs that provide the treatment and supervision offenders need to stay out of trouble and lead productive lives. Avoiding incarceration also generates substantial savings for taxpayers, and participants improve their employment status and overall quality of life.

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**In the event of inclement weather, the event will take place in the First Floor Rotunda inside the Michigan Hall of Justice.*