



Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan



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**Subject: Third Circuit Court Mourns Untimely Death of
Hon. Richard M. Skutt**

Detroit, MI – I regret to inform you of the untimely death of the Hon. Richard M. Skutt on Monday, February 5, 2018. Judge Skutt was appointed to this Court on August 23, 2004. During his tenure he was a trusted friend and colleague to all who worked with him. The Judge, court staff, and the Wayne County legal community will dearly miss him. Please keep his wife, Valerie, and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

At 12:30 p.m. today, I am requesting a moment of silence so that we may remember him in any way that you think is appropriate.

The Mission of Third Judicial Circuit Court is to provide accessible and equal justice with timely dispute resolution. **The Third Judicial Circuit** has jurisdiction over Civil, Criminal, and Family matters arising in the County of Wayne. The National Center for State Courts has cited the Third Circuit Court as one of the model urban courts in the United States for case flow management and the timely disposition of the Court's docket. For more information, visit our website www.3rdcc.org, follow us at [Twitter@3rdccorg](https://twitter.com/3rdccorg), and like us on Facebook [@3rdccorg](https://www.facebook.com/3rdccorg).