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THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MICHIGAN
701 CITY-COUNTY BUILDING
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

DOCKET DIRECTIVE 1998-01

STATE OF MICHIGAN
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SUBJECT: Docket Successor Policies and Processes

This Directive, issued pursuant to MCR 8.111, delineates the policies and processes governing the transfer of dockets between judges within the Court.

1. The number of dockets created within each division shall correspond with the number of judges assigned to each division. Those dockets shall remain intact, except as provided below, irrespective of the specific judges to whom the dockets are assigned.
2. When a judge leaves the Court, his or her docket of pending and post-judgment matters shall be assigned, in its entirety, to a successor judge.
3. When a judge remains with the Court but transfers to another division, or assumes another docket within the same division, his or her docket of pending and post-judgment matters shall be assigned, in its entirety, to a successor judge.
4. All post-appeal matters shall be assigned to either the original judge or the successor judge as dictated by an appellate court order, court rule, or statute.

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