

ROBERT J. COLOMBO, JR. CHIEF JUDGE

701 COLEMAN A. YOUNG MUNICIPAL CENTER 2 WOODWARD AVENUE DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226-3413

(313) 224-5430

DOCKET DIRECTIVE 2017-13

STATE OF MICHIGAN THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SUBJECT: Telephonic Appearance of Candidates for Admission to the Michigan Bar

This Docket Directive is issued pursuant to MCR 8.110 and MCR 2.402.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Effective: November 1, 2017

With approval by the judge conducting the motion hearing to admit a candidate to the State Bar of Michigan, the candidate may be allowed to appear telephonically or by other acceptable electronic means that permits all those appearing or participating to hear and speak to each other. The Chief Judge's approval is required for any changes to the Mass Admission Ceremony.

The candidate will provide to the Office of the County Clerk the original Welcome Letter from the Board of Law Examiners. The County Clerk will accept the letter by United States Postal Service delivery, express mail delivery service, or in-person delivery made by the candidate or someone acting on behalf of the candidate. The candidate will pay the required fee to the County Clerk and provide the name of the sponsoring attorney.

The Office of the County Clerk will provide the Order of Admission to the judge conducting the motion hearing to admit the candidate.

The Judge will complete the motion hearing and sign the Order of Admission. The Judge will designate a courtroom staff person other than the courtroom clerk to bring the original Order of Admission to the County Clerk Room 201 and print the name of the candidate in the Bar Journal book. The person completing the entry will print the name of the applicant, add the language "with consent", and initial the entry.

Prior to the end of the business day, the County Clerk will eFile the Order of Admission. The Welcome Letter will be scanned with the order into Odyssey.

The Wayne County Clerk, the Third Circuit Court Case Processing Department, and the Third Circuit Court Information Technology Systems Bureau are directed to take the steps necessary to accomplish this

Directive.

Hon. Robert J. Colombo, Jr., Chief Judge

Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan

Dated: November 1, 2017