

***BUSINESS COURTS COMMITTEE
REPORT PREPARED FOR THE JUNE 8, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING***

1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2023.

2. Council Approval.

No matters require Council approval.

3. Membership.

The membership of the Committee is intentionally small. The members are Judge James M. Alexander (retired Oakland), Judge David J. Allen (Wayne), Judge Victoria A. Valentine (Oakland), Judge Kathryn A. Viviano (Macomb), Judge Michael David Warren, Jr. (Oakland), Judge Christopher P. Yates (Court of Appeals), Bruce Courtade, Jennifer Grieco, Brian Wassom, and yours truly.

4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives.

The Committee's objectives are to serve as a liaison between the Business Court Judges and the Business Law Section, to serve as a resource for the Business Court Judges, and to assist the Business Court Judges in whatever ways they and the Business Law Section deem appropriate.

5. Meetings and Programs.

The Committee has met and discussed whether the jurisdiction of the business courts should be clarified. If the Committee recommends that it should, the Chair will notify the BLS Council for further discussion.

The Business Court Judges have recently established a goal of meeting four times a year with training included in two of those meetings. The Chair has notified multiple Committee members that the BLS stands ready to assist in the training.

6. Publications.

The Committee has published no articles. The Michigan Business Law Journal includes a regular column on the Michigan Business Courts.

7. Methods of Monitoring Legislative/Judicial/Administrative Developments and Recommended Action.

The Committee monitors proposed changes in the business court statute and Michigan Court Rules that deal with the Michigan Business Courts.

8. Miscellaneous.

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