

**BUSINESS COURT AD HOC COMMITTEE  
REPORT PREPARED FOR THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2012 COUNCIL MEETING**

**1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee**

None.

**2. Council Approval**

None.

**3. Membership**

N/A.

**4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives**

Before breaking for the summer, the Michigan House of Representatives overwhelmingly passed the business court legislation, HB 5128.

The Senate Judiciary Committee scheduled a hearing on HB 5128 for the first day of its fall session, September 11, 2012. Committee Chair Diane Akers has been asked to testify in support of the bill at that hearing.

**5. Meetings and Programs**

None.

**6. Publications**

None.

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

Ms. Akers will continue to maintain contact with Mike Gadola, Chief of Gov. Snyder's Legal Staff, who has been leading/coordinating the effort to pass the legislation. The plan is to get the bill signed into law by the first of the year.

**8. Miscellaneous**

**Diane L. Akers, Chair  
Bodman PLC**