# REGULATION OF SECURITIES COMMITTEE REPORT PREPARED FOR THE MARCH 18, 2010 COUNCIL MEETING

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### 1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee

Next scheduled meeting of the Committee: We expected to schedule a meeting in April to review a draft of the rules for the new Michigan Uniform Securities Act.

### 2. Council Approval

No approvals are being requested.

## 3. Membership

We have created a current Committee membership of about 70 persons, including men and women with experience ranging from very little to extensive, members of law firms of all sizes, attorneys from private and public companies, attorneys from the Michigan Securities Division, and from a law school. The Committee has some diversity, and we are looking for opportunities to expand the Committee's diversity. New members are being added throughout the year.

# 4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives

During the past few months, members of our Committee have reviewed and provided comments to the Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation ("OFIR") on its drafts of transition orders relating to Michigan's new Uniform Securities Act, and provided assistance to OFIR on questions arising relating to the proposed new rules for the Act. The new Act became effective October 1, 2009. Our Committee has recently received a draft from OFIR of the proposed new rules relating to the first two Articles of the Act, and a subcommittee is in the process of reviewing the draft.

# 5. Meetings and Programs

The Committee is currently focusing its attention on the transition orders and drafts of rules for the new Michigan Uniform Securities Act. Our rules subcommittee will be meeting and discussing drafts of the rules and providing suggestions to OFIR.

#### 6. Publications

None at this time.

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

The Uniform Securities Act (2002), designated Act No. 551 of the Public Acts of 2008, became effective October 1, 2009. OFIR has issued transition orders to address issues that are expected to arise under the new Act between when it became effective on October 1, and when rules are promulgated to implement the new Act. OFIR has also issued drafts of some of the rules for the new Act. Diane Bissell of OFIR has been doing an excellent job keeping us up to date on drafts of the transition orders and rules as they become available, and on the final transition orders as they are issued.

#### 8. Miscellaneous

Nothing to report.

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