

July 23, 2012

Kathleen M. Allen, Clerk
c/o Ms. Anne Smith, Assistant to the Assembly
State Bar of Michigan Representative Assembly
Michael Franck Building
306 Townsend Street
Lansing, MI 48933-2012

**Re: Letter of Interest
Clerk of the Representative Assembly**

Dear Ms. Smith:

I am writing to request nomination as Clerk of the Representative Assembly for the upcoming year. My resume is enclosed.

I have served in the Assembly since 2007. I would like to use that experience to the greater benefit of the Assembly and the Bar by now serving as an Officer.

Very truly yours,

KERR, RUSSELL AND WEBER, PLC



Fred K. Herrmann

FKH/brm
Enclosure

Fred K. Herrmann
Kerr, Russell and Weber, PLC
500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 2500
Detroit, MI 48226

Professional Experience

Kerr, Russell and Weber, PLC
Member 2004-Present
Associate 1996-2004
Commercial Litigation

Education

University of Michigan Law School, JD 1996
United States Naval Academy, BS 1988

Bar Associations

State Bar of Michigan

Representative Assembly, Third Circuit
2007-2009 Interim Appointee
2009-2012 First three-year term
2012 re-elected to Second three-year term
Drafting Committee
Liaison to SBM Antitrust, Franchising and Trade Regulation Section
Antitrust, Franchising and Trade Regulation Section
Former Two-term Chair, Officer
Council 1996-present

Litigation Section

American Bar Association

Section of Antitrust Law

Business Law Section

Federal Bar Association (Eastern District of Michigan Chapter)

Federal Circuit Bar Association

Military

United States Navy, Midshipman, 1984-1988
United States Marine Corps, 1988-1996 (Logistics Officer)

July 22, 2012

Anne Smith
State Bar of Michigan
306 Townsend Street
Lansing, MI 48933

Re: Representative Assembly

Dear Anne:

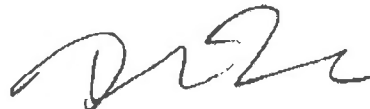
Please accept this as my letter of interest in being nominated for clerk of the Representative Assembly. I have enclosed a resume highlighting my bar association experience.

In brief, I have been a member of the Representative Assembly since 2007. I have had the pleasure of addressing the Assembly several times on behalf of the Civil Procedure and Courts Committee of the Bar (of which I currently serve as the Chair). My other State Bar service includes being a Fellow of the State Bar Foundation and previously as a local panel member for Character & Fitness.

I have also been very active in other bar associations, primarily my local Oakland County Bar Association. I am a member of the OCBA Board of Directors, and also serve as a trustee and officer for the Oakland County Bar Foundation. During my years of involvement, I have chaired several committees and also serve on the Executive Committee of the local chapter of the Inns of Court. In 2009, I was awarded the OCBA's Distinguished Service Award. Outside of the OCBA, I am active in both the American Bar Association (co-chair of the Intellectual Property committee in the Litigation section) and the local Federal Bar Association (co-chair, Diversity Committee and member of board of directors).

I have enjoyed my years of bar service and hope to bring this same level of energy and commitment to the Representative Assembly by serving as its clerk. Please let me know if you require anything further as part of the nomination process.

Very truly yours,



Daniel D. Quick

Enclosure



Daniel D. Quick

Education

University of Michigan

- BA with honors, 1990
- JD, 1992

Legal Employment Experience

Judicial Clerk, Hon. Hugh Brenneman, United States District Court, Western District of Michigan (1991)

Research Intern, Physicians for Human Rights (Cambridge, MA; 1991)

Dickinson Wright PLLC

- associate (1993-1999)
- partner (2000 – present)
- Chair of Recruitment Committee (2006-2009)
- Governing Board Member (2011-)

Admitted to Practice

Michigan

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals (Sixth and Federal Circuit)

U.S. District Court (E.D. Mich., W.D. Mich., D. Colo.)

admitted *pro hac vice* in a number of state and federal courts

Professional and Community Honors

Michigan *Super Lawyers*, Business Litigation (2008 – present)

Oakland County Bar Association (the largest local bar association in Michigan): awarded the Bar's highest honor, Distinguished Service Award, in 2009

Invited member of Michigan State Bar Foundation (limited to 5% of all attorneys)

Five-time honoree for *pro bono* service by U.S. District Court, E.D. Michigan

Appointed member of Merit Selection Panel, U.S. District Court, E.D. Michigan (2008)

Service Key Award from Boys and Girls Club of Southeast Michigan (1995)

Bar Association and Community Activities

American Bar Association

- Co-Chair, Intellectual Property committee, Litigation section

State Bar of Michigan

- Fellow, State Bar Foundation
- Chair, Committee on Civil Procedure and Courts (2011-)
- Representative Assembly (the policy making body of the Bar), 6th Judicial Circuit Representative

Oakland County Bar Association, Sustaining Member

- Director (2011-)
- Member and Past Chair, Circuit Court Committee

Oakland County Inns of Court, Executive Committee Member & Master

Oakland County Bar Foundation

- the charitable organization of Oakland County attorneys
- Fellow, officer and member of Board of Trustees

Federal Bar Association, U.S. District Court, E.D. Michigan

- Board of Directors
- Diversity Committee co-chair

Adjunct Professor (Pre-Trial Skills), Thomas M. Cooley Law School

ACLU of Michigan contributing attorney

The Community House – Board of Directors (an independent, nonprofit organization established in 1923 in Birmingham, MI)

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July 23, 2012

Ms. Kathleen M. Allen, Clerk
Representative Assembly
State Bar of Michigan
Michael Franck Building
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RE: Representative Assembly – Clerk

Dear Ms. Allen:

Please accept this letter as my letter of interest for my nomination for the position of Clerk for the Representative Assembly of the State Bar of Michigan. Included with this letter, please find my background information for your consideration and review.

If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Very truly yours,


Eilisia G. Schwarz

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EDUCATION

Thomas M. Cooley Law School, Lansing, Michigan

Juris Doctor, January 2003

Quincy University, Quincy, Illinois

Bachelor of Science Degree in Music Business Interdisciplinary, May 1994

BAR

ADMISSION

State Bar of Michigan, P66350

WORK

EXPERIENCE

Eilisia G. Schwarz, PLLC, *McBain, Michigan*

Attorney in private practice specializing in domestic relations and criminal law

Dec 2011 - present

Wexford County, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, Cadillac, Michigan

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Assistant City of Cadillac Prosecuting Attorney

Jun 2007 – Jan 2012

May 2010 – Jan 2012

Osceola County, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, Reed City, Michigan

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Feb 2005 – Jun 2007

Gratiot County, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, Ithaca, Michigan

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Part-time

Mar 2004 – Feb 2005

MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of Michigan, Representative Assembly

28th Circuit Representative,

Appointment

Sept 2007 – Apr 2008

Elected Member

Apr 2008 – present

Assembly Hearings Committee, Chairperson

2011– present

Assembly Nominating and Awards Committee member

2008 – 2011

Domestic Violence Committee Liaison

2011– present

Young Lawyer's Section – Liaison

2007 – 2008

Wexford/Missaukee Bar Association

Jun 2007 – present

Osceola/Mecosta Bar Association

Feb 2005 – Jun 2007



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July 23, 2012

Anne Smith
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Re: Representative Assembly Clerk

Dear Ms. Smith:

I am writing to express my interest in nomination for the Clerk position in the State Bar of Michigan's Representative Assembly. I currently serve as the chair of the Rules and Calendar Committee for the State Bar of Michigan's Representative Assembly. I have been a member of the Assembly since 2008.

I am a long-standing member of the ABA, since 1996, and served as a delegate to the ABA House of Delegates from 2008 to 2011 and serve in other ABA leadership capacities within the ABA. I am currently serving a second appointment to the ABA Commission on Youth at Risk. I am also very active in the Torts, Trial and Insurance Practice Section ("TIPS"). I am the immediate past Editor-In-Chief of the ABA's *The Brief* magazine and currently serving on the editorial board. I also serve as a vice chair on the ABA Staff Counsel Committee and as a member of the TIPS Membership and Law In Public Service Committees.

I enjoy service to the legal community through my involvement with bar organizations. Throughout my years of practice, involvement in bar associations provided me with an outlet for community service and leadership opportunities. In 2011, I organized and facilitated a Michigan Roundtable on access to higher education for foster youth. During my leadership roles within the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association I worked closely with the SBM Young Lawyers Section on various programs for lawyers admitted to practice five years or less. As the 2007-2008 President of the Association of Defense Trial Counsel I advocated meaningful dialogue between the bench and bar and community outreach.

I am passionate about the profession and have a love for bar work. My membership and involvement in local, state and national bar activities continue to aide in my ability to contribute to our profession and increase our contributions to the larger community.

Please let me know if you require additional information.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vanessa Williams".

Vanessa Peterson Williams,
VP, Deputy General Counsel
& Chief Compliance Officer

VANESSA PETERSON WILLIAMS

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LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE VICE PRESIDENT

Combines legal and compliance expertise in the global automotive information industry with strategic planning and management experience. Responsible for planning and execution of legal department and corporate compliance initiatives. Expert at international business, contract drafting/negotiations and commercial legal and regulatory matters. Successful at closing multi-national commercial agreements; managing complex commercial litigation; and implementing data protection and corporate compliance policies in Europe and North America.

Bar Admissions: Michigan (1995); U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan (1995)
Certified International Privacy Professional (CIPP) since 2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

R. L. Polk & Co., Southfield, Michigan

2006 - Present

○ Vice President & Deputy General Counsel (April 2010 to Present)

Manages legal team with authority over budget expenditures, hiring, performance evaluations, promotions, salary recommendations and terminations. Legal representative on cross-functional investment team that reviews new project business cases for profitability and alignment with corporate strategy.

- Appointed Chief Compliance Office (August 2011), implementing DPPA compliance program in North America.
- Manages litigation, including the supervision of outside counsel, resulting in 75% reduction of organizational exposure and costs in FY '11.
- Serves as a member of the Pension Committee, and as corporate secretary for some of the foreign subsidiaries.

○ Deputy General Counsel (September 2008 to April 2010)

Managed legal team, establishing departmental goals aligned with corporate objectives. Facilitated corporate compliance and training, including the creation of legal corporate training modules. Served as legal representative on European product feasibility teams in Germany and the United Kingdom.

- Prepared departmental budget, including strategy for more than \$100K of reductions in expenditures in FY'11 for the legal department
- Improved corporate interactions with the legal team, resulting in reduction in time of deliverables, increased sales team efficiency and enhanced customer intimacy.
- Developed online and European privacy policies and assisted in implementation of other legal compliance programs, including Safe Harbor re-certification.

○ Associate General Counsel (July 2006 to September 2008)

Successfully negotiated international and domestic data and software license agreements. Responsible for vendor and purchasing contracts. Member of data use and compliance committee. Supervised outside counsel in domestic litigation and international property matters.

- €500,000 saved in successful lease break for European properties.

○ Michigan Basic Property Insurance Association, Detroit, Michigan (January 2001 - July 2006) Senior Attorney

Represented the Association in first-party property insurance breach of contract claims and declaratory actions. Defended insureds in premises and other general liability actions. Also,

performed corporate legal work (contract review and negotiations) for this 100+ employee property insurance fair plan. Counseled human resources on employee complaints, terminations, job classifications and revisions to the employee handbook.

- Negotiated information system service contracts and leases with values up to \$.5MM, securing up to a 5% reduction in termination fees.
- Authored amendatory endorsements to policy forms submitted to and approved by the Michigan Office of Financial & Insurance Services, requesting exemption from burdensome renewal requirements.
- Revised policy renewal certificates, clarifying expiration versus cancellation language pursuant to statutory requirements.

○ **Plunkett & Cooney, P.C., Detroit, Michigan** (February 1996 - January 2001)

Associate Attorney (Litigation)

- Participated in labor negotiations on behalf of municipality, which resulted in the parties entering into a collective bargaining agreement.
- Negotiated contracts on behalf of school board with medical services suppliers, securing on-site dentistry services at public schools.
- Chaired jury trials, which resulted in successful verdicts and favorable settlements mid-trial.
- Argued dispositive motions in state and federal court, resulting in dismissals of employment, auto and premises liability cases.

EDUCATION

- Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, MBA (International Business) (2008)
- College of William & Mary, Marshall–Wythe School of Law, Williamsburg, Virginia, J.D. (1995)
- The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, B.A. Communication (Journalism) (1992)

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS AND ASSOCIATIONS

- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, *2001-2002 Barrister of The Year*
- Wolverine Bar Association, *2001 Margrette A. Taylor Distinguished Young Lawyer*
- State Bar of Michigan, Insurance Committee (1996-2001); Representative Assembly
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, Barristers' President (2004-2005), Director (2005-2011)
- American Bar Association (ABA), Vice Chair Staff Counsel Committee (2002-Present), Editor-In-Chief *The Brief* (2008-2010), House of Delegates, Member Commission on Youth at Risk
- Association of Defense Trial Counsel, President (2007-2008)
- Fellow of the ABA Foundation and State Bar of Michigan Foundations.

PUBLICATIONS

"The Duties of the Insured and Insurer in Liability Cases" (Chapter 2). In M. H. Fabian, N. L. Slank and M. D. Willmarth (Eds.), 2002 Michigan Insurance Law and Practice. Ann Arbor, Michigan; The Institute for Continuing Legal Education.

"The Art of Cross Examination in Employment Discrimination Cases: The Art of Telling a Good Story," October, 1998, Vol. 77 Michigan Bar Journal.