

<b>STATE OF MICHIGAN</b> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY PROBATE	<b>ORDER OF          DISQUALIFICATION/REASSIGNMENT</b>	<b>CASE NO.</b>
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Court address

Court telephone no.

Plaintiff name(s) and address(es)
Plaintiff's attorney, bar no., address, and telephone no.

v

Defendant name(s) and address(es)
Defendant's attorney, bar no., address, and telephone no.

In the matter of \_\_\_\_\_

**IT IS ORDERED:**

I, Judge \_\_\_\_\_,  on motion of \_\_\_\_\_,   
 Bar no. \_\_\_\_\_  on my own motion,   
 am disqualified under MCR 2.003 from hearing this case and I am requesting assignment of another judge for the following reason:

- a. The judge is biased or prejudiced for or against a party or attorney.
- b. The judge, based on objective and reasonable perceptions, has either (i) a serious risk of actual bias impacting the due process rights of a party as enunciated in *Caperton v Massey*, \_\_\_ US \_\_\_; 129 S Ct 2252; 173 L Ed 2d 1208 (2009), or (ii) has failed to adhere to the appearance of impropriety standard set forth in Canon 2 of the Michigan Code of Judicial Conduct.
- c. The judge has personal knowledge of disputed evidentiary facts concerning the proceeding.
- d. The judge has been consulted or employed as an attorney in the matter in controversy.
- e. The judge was a partner of a party, attorney for a party, or a member of a law firm representing a party within the preceding two years.
- f. The judge knows that he or she, individually or as a fiduciary, or the judge's spouse, parent, or child wherever residing, or any other member of the judge's family residing in the judge's household, has more than a de minimis economic interest in the subject matter in controversy that could be substantially impacted by the proceeding.
- g. The judge or the judge's spouse, or a person within the third degree of relationship to either of them, or the spouse of such a person: (i) is a party to the proceeding, or an officer, director, or trustee of a party; (ii) is acting as a lawyer in the proceeding; (iii) is known by the judge to have a more than de minimis interest that could be substantially affected by the proceeding; or (iv) is to the judge's knowledge likely to be a material witness in the proceeding.
- h. Other: (specify)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bar no.

**ADDITIONAL DISQUALIFICATIONS**

NOTE: If there are not enough signature slots, attach additional sheets.

The undersigned judge(s) is/are also disqualified and refer by letter to the reason printed on the front of this form.

**NOTE: IF REASON (h) IS ENTERED, THE COMMENT SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED.**

REASON a-h	DATE	SIGNATURE	COMMENT

**CHIEF JUDGE DISQUALIFICATION AND  
REQUEST FOR REFERRAL TO SCAO**

All of the judges of this court have disqualified themselves and have signed this order, indicating their reason for disqualification pursuant to MCR 2.003.

The designated Visiting Judge Clerk shall submit a copy of this order, **ALONG WITH THE REQUEST FOR ASSIGNMENT**, to the appropriate State Court Administrative Office to have another judge assigned to hear this case pursuant to MCR 2.003(D)(4).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Judge Bar no.

**INTERNAL REASSIGNMENT REQUEST**

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has been chosen by lot or local administrative order from the judges not  
Bar no.  
disqualified in this case. I request that this case be reassigned to this judge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Court Administrator or Clerk of the Court

Reassignment approved as requested.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Judge Bar no.