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To the Members of the Michigan Probate and Juvenile Register's Association,

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer and was able to find some time to relax and enjoy moments with the people who matter most to you.

I'm excited to share the registration information for our upcoming **MPJRA Fall Conference**, which will be held at the **Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth, Michigan from October 22–24, 2025**. While we are still finalizing a few presentation details—particularly for Thursday afternoon—I wanted to get the registration and a brief schedule out to you now, so you can begin planning.

As part of our ongoing commitment to inclusivity, professional growth, and member support, the **Michigan Probate and Juvenile Register's Association (MPJRA)** is pleased to offer **ten (10) scholarships** covering the **conference registration fee** for this year's Fall Conference.

We recognize that some courts face financial limitations that may make attending professional events a challenge. By offering these scholarships, we hope to ensure that financial hardship is not a barrier to participation. **Supporting continuing education and professional development is essential to maintaining excellence in our work and strengthening our courts statewide.**

The Fall Conference provides valuable opportunities for members to expand their knowledge, and collaborate with colleagues on best practices. We strongly encourage members from courts experiencing budget constraints to apply.

Scholarship Application Details:

- Please submit your request **via email directly to me** in my role as **President of MPJRA**.
- Your request should briefly explain the financial need or hardship and how conference attendance would support your professional development or benefit your court.

- **Submission deadline: September 8, 2025**
- All requests will be reviewed and presented to the MPJRA Board for consideration.

Tentative Conference Schedule Overview:

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

- Planning Committee Meeting **12:00 p.m.**
- Conference begins at **1:00 p.m.**
- Programming includes:
 - MPJRA Business Meeting and Election
 - MJI Update
 - SCAO Update
 - MPJRA Member Awards
- **Meet & Greet: 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, October 23, 2025

- **Breakfast and Registration: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**
- **Joint Morning Session:**
 - Presentation by **Zenell Brown**: *"Inclusive Leadership Inside Out"*
 - Using the DISC assessment tool, Zenell will guide participants in reflecting on their individual leadership styles and building inclusive workplaces for both staff and court users.
 - **JIS Presentation** for Probate and Juvenile members
- **Banquet & MPJRA Judge of the Year Award: 12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**
- **Afternoon Breakout Sessions: 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Details to follow soon)**

Friday, October 24, 2025

- **Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**
- **Presentation by Jawwad Johnson from the National Center for State Courts:**
 - 9:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. *(More information on his topic will be provided shortly.)*
- **Closing Comments and Box Lunch**

We are looking forward to another great conference and hope to see as many of you there as possible. Thank you for your patience as we finalize the last few agenda items. Please keep an eye out for the final agenda and conference information in the coming weeks.

Warm regards,

Joseph Schulte

President

Michigan Probate and Juvenile Register's Association