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Jessica Engel, Executive Director
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**Re: Report of Bench/Bar Committee of
Lycoming Law Association -- 2009**

Dear Jessica:

The members of the Bench/Bar Committee for 2010 were as follows:

Honorable Dudley Anderson, Honorable Kenneth Brown, Honorable Nancy Butts, Honorable Richard Gray, Honorable William S. Kieser, Honorable Marc Lovecchio, Honorable Joy Reynolds McCoy, Honorable Clinton Smith, William Burd, Jonathan Bach, Richard Callahan, Michael Collins, Roan Confer, Jr., Robert Cronin, , Charles Greevy, III, Jennifer Heverly, Brad Hillman, William Knecht, Eric Linhardt, C. Edward S. Mitchell, John Mott, Joseph L. Rider, Clifford A. Rieders, Kevin Way, Mike Wiley, David Wilk and W. Jeffrey Yates.

The Committee met February 1, 2010, May 3, 2010, August 2, 2010 and November 1, 2010. Minutes of the meetings are posted on the Lycoming Law Association website.

Attendance at meetings by both bar members and judges continued to improve.

Topics discussed included: the court website which is being developed, changes in procedure for processing family court matters, revision of forms in Prothonotary's and Register and Recorder's offices to eliminate confidential personal identification information, revision of Local Rule 205.2 to bring it into compliance with State Rule 205.2 pertaining to printing on one side of the paper, attendance of jurors, numbers of copies

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required for filing of motions, briefs and pre-trial memos, mortgage foreclosures and implementation of procedures to make foreclosure defendants aware of possible alternatives to foreclosures, revisions to underage drinking alternative disposition to eliminate potential vetoes by prosecuting police officers, the making of prior record scores available to defense attorneys prior to sentencings, case management and the need for service on defense counsel of case management orders, cell phone policy for second floor of courthouse, consistency in dispositions by family court hearing officers, revision of jury questionnaires in civil cases to include a voluntary question concerning race for the purpose of eliminating discrimination in jury selection, revision of local criminal rules and the Open Option Act and its provisions pertaining to optional agreements for visitation with biological parents.

Meetings for 2010 will be: February 7, May 2, August 1 and November 7.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Edward S. Mitchell, Chairman