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Michele Frey, Executive Director Lycoming Law Association 25 West Third Street, Ste. 601 Williamsport, PA 17701

Re: Report of Bench/Bar Committee of

Lycoming Law Association -- 2016

Dear Michele:

The members of the Bench Bar Committee for 2017 were as follows:

Honorable Dudley Anderson, Honorable Kenneth Brown, Honorable Nancy Butts, Honorable Richard Gray, Honorable William Kieser, Honorable Marc Lovecchio, Honorable Joy McCoy, Jennifer Ayers, Aaron Biichle, Brian Bluth, Richard Callahan, William Carlucci, Robert Cronin, Robert Elion, Charles Greevy, III, Bradley Hillman, Eric Linhardt, John E. Person, III, Joseph Rider, Clifford Rieders, Jeffrey Rowe, Edward Rymsza, Wesley Speary, Adrianne Stahl, Ryan Tira, Thomas Waffenschmidt, J. Michael Wiley, David Wilk, W. Jeffrey Yates, Meghan E. Young and Suzanne Fedele, Prothonotary

The Committee met: February 6, 2017, May 1, 2017, July 31, 2017, and November 6, 2017.

Minutes of the meetings are posted on the Lycoming Law Association website. Topics discussed included:

The Constitutional Amendment increasing the retirement age for active judges to 75, the retirement of Judge Anderson at the end of 2017, the retirement of Judge Gray as of June 30, 2018, Judicial assignments for 2018, election of the vacancy to fill Judge Anderson's seat in 2017, election to fill the vacancy to be created by the retirement of Judge Gray to be held in 2019, use of Senior Judges during the period of time when Lycoming County will be short one active judge, listing of Courtrooms 6 and 7 occupied by Domestic Relations Hearing Offices on the daily court scheduling sheets posted on

the second floor of the courthouse, the 150th Anniversary of the Lycoming Law Association in 2019, the need for attorneys to promptly notify the Court Administrator and the assigned Judge of all developments which change the need for scheduled hearings, the adoption of local Orphans Court Rules, Prothonotary filing fees, the relocation of the law library from the James V. Brown Library Rotunda to the courthouse, required notices by landlords to tenants pertaining to disposal of personal property, the Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania and its impact on filings beginning January 6, 2018 and the elimination of jury questionnaires except as required by Pa Rule of Criminal Procedure 632.

All meetings were conducted at lunch time in the Law Association offices. Attendance was satisfactory.

Meetings for 2018 will be as follows: February 5, 2018, May 7, 2018, August 6, 2018 and November 5, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Edward S. Mitchell, Chairman

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