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Michele Frey, Executive Director Lycoming Law Association 25 West Third Street, Ste. 803 Williamsport, PA 17701

Re: Report of Bench/Bar Committee of Lycoming Law Association -- 2020

Dear Michele:

The members of the Bench Bar Committee for 2020 were as follows:

Hon. Nancy Butts, Hon. Marc Lovecchio, Hon. Joy McCoy, Hon. Eric Linhardt, Hon. Ryan Tira, Hon. Kenneth Brown, Hon. Dudley Anderson, Jennifer Ayers, Aaron Biichle, Brian Bluth, Robert Cronin, Robert Elion, Ryan C. Gardner, Charles Greevy, III, Jessica Harlow, Jennifer Heverly, Bradley Hillman, Angela Lovecchio, Clifford Rieders, Edward Rymsza, Nicole Spring, Adrianne Stahl, J. Michael Wiley, David Wilk, W. Jeffrey Yates, Thomas Heap

The Committee met: February 3, 2020, May 4, 2020, August 3, 2020, and November 2, 2020.

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

Family Court Local Rules, Administrative Order for Payment of Probation Officers, Criminal Court Backlog, Civil Court Scheduling, District Attorney's Office, Gas Law, Animal Cruelty, PFA, Act 115 of 2019, Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI 2), Prothonotary's Office, Administrative Orders of March 27, 2020 and April 27, 2020 pertaining to the closure of the Courts as a result of Covid-19, Essential Functions being conducted, Precautions being utilized for the protection of participants, Suspensions of deadlines except for initial filings governed by statutes of limitations, Methods of filing in the offices of the Prothonotary and Clerk of Courts and Register & Recorder, Conduct of Jury Trials, Dress Code during Zoom Hearings, Uniform Judicial

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Access to Digital Assets Act and the need for a larger room for Arbitrations in order to permit social distancing

The February meeting was conducted at lunch time in the Law Association office and all other meetings were conducted via telephone conference call due to Covid-19. Attendance was satisfactory.

Meetings for 2021 will be as follows: February 1, 2021, May 3, 2021, August 2, 2021 and November 1, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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C. Edward S. Mitchell, Chairman