



**FROM THE COMMITTEE
ON MODEL CRIMINAL
JURY INSTRUCTIONS**

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The Committee on Model Criminal Jury Instructions solicits comment on the following proposal by November 1, 2025. Comments may be sent in writing to Christopher M. Smith, Reporter, Committee on Model Criminal Jury Instructions, Michigan Hall of Justice, P.O. Box 30052, Lansing, MI 48909-7604, or electronically to MCrimJI@courts.mi.gov.

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PROPOSED

The Committee proposes a new preliminary instruction, M Crim JI 1.10 (Referring to Jurors By Number) that would direct jurors not to draw any inferences from the use of juror numbers in lieu of names. This instruction is entirely new.

[NEW] M Crim JI 1.10 Referring to Jurors by Number

During jury selection and throughout trial, the lawyers and I will refer to you by number rather than by name. The use of juror numbers is for administrative purposes only. You must not allow this procedure to influence your decision in any way. Your decision must be based solely on the evidence presented.