

Order

Michigan Supreme Court
Lansing, Michigan

September 26, 2025

Megan K. Cavanagh,
Chief Justice

ADM File No. 2023-12

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Amendment of Rule
3.602 of the Michigan
Court Rules

On order of the Court, notice of the proposed changes and an opportunity for comment in writing and at a public hearing having been provided, and consideration having been given to the comments received, the following amendment of Rule 3.602 of the Michigan Court Rules is adopted, effective January 1, 2026.

[Additions to the text are indicated in underlining and
deleted text is shown by strikeover.]

Rule 3.602 Arbitration

(A) Applicability of Rule. Courts shall have all powers described in MCL 691.1681 *et seq.*, or reasonably related thereto, for arbitrations governed by that statute. Unless otherwise provided by statute, an action or proceeding commenced on or after July 1, 2013, is governed by MCL 691.1681 *et seq.*, and not this rule. The remainder of this rule applies to all other forms of arbitration, in the absence of contradictory provisions in the arbitration agreement or limitations imposed by statute, including MCL 691.1683(2).

(B)-(N) [Unchanged.]

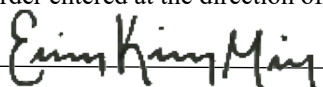
Staff Comment (ADM File No. 2023-12): The amendment of MCR 3.602(A) clarifies the applicability of MCR 3.602 and the Michigan Uniform Arbitration Act, MCL 691.1681 *et seq.*

The staff comment is not an authoritative construction by the Court. In addition, adoption of a new rule or amendment in no way reflects a substantive determination by this Court.



I, Elizabeth Kingston-Miller, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

September 26, 2025


Clerk