Order

Michigan Supreme Court
Lansing, Michigan

October 22, 2025

ADM File No. 2024-10

Proposed Amendment of Rule 6.429 of the Michigan Court Rules Megan K. Cavanagh, Chief Justice

Brian K. Zahra Richard H. Bernstein Elizabeth M. Welch Kyra H. Bolden Kimberly A. Thomas Noah P. Hood, Justices

On order of the Court, this is to advise that the Court is considering an amendment of Rule 6.429 of the Michigan Court Rules. Before determining whether the proposal should be adopted, changed before adoption, or rejected, this notice is given to afford interested persons the opportunity to comment on the form or the merits of the proposal or to suggest alternatives. The Court welcomes the views of all. This matter will also be considered at a public hearing. The notices and agendas for each public hearing are posted on the <u>Public Administrative Hearings</u> page.

Publication of this proposal does not mean that the Court will issue an order on the subject, nor does it imply probable adoption of the proposal in its present form.

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

Rule 6.429 Correction and Appeal of Sentence

(A) Authority to Modify Sentence. The court may correct an invalid sentence, on its own initiative after giving the parties an opportunity to be heard, or on motion by either party. Any correction of an invalid sentence on the court's own initiative must occur after giving the parties an opportunity to be heard and within 6 months of the entry of the judgment of conviction and sentence. Any objection to the corrected sentence must be presented to the court at the time that the court provides an opportunity to be heard. But tThe court may not modify a valid sentence after it has been imposed except as provided by law. Any correction of an invalid sentence on the court's own initiative must occur within 6 months of the entry of the judgment of conviction and sentence.

(B)-(C) [Unchanged.]

**Staff Comment (ADM File No. 2024-10)**: The proposed amendment of MCR 6.429 would reorganize and update the rule to clarify that a court must afford parties an opportunity to object to its sua sponte correction of a Judgment of Sentence and that the parties must raise any objections when that opportunity is provided.

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.

A copy of this order will be given to the Secretary of the State Bar and to the State Court Administrator so that they can make the notifications specified in MCR 1.201. Comments on the proposal may be submitted by February 1, 2026 by clicking on the "Comment on this Proposal" link under this proposal on the <u>Court's Proposed & Adopted Orders on Administrative Matters</u> page. You may also submit a comment in writing at P.O. Box 30052, Lansing, MI 48909 or via email at <u>ADMcomment@courts.mi.gov</u>. When submitting a comment, please refer to ADM File No. 2024-10. Your comments and the comments of others will be posted under the chapter affected by this proposal.



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.

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