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Dear Fellow Oakland County Bar Association Member:

It would be a privilege to serve on the Board of The Oakland County Bar Association. I respectfully ask for your vote in the upcoming election for the OCBA Board of Directors.

Having lived and worked in Oakland County most of my life, I am deeply familiar with the community. I am currently a partner with Royal Oak-based Pitt McGehee Palmer & Rivers. I have devoted my career to helping people with civil rights and employment law issues.

I am actively involved in the OCBA, including as a member of the Circuit Court and Professional Development Committees and serve as a motion call discovery mediator. I am a fellow of the Oakland County Bar Foundation and my firm is an annual gold sponsor of the Oakland County Bar Foundation Signature Event.

I believe that it is very important to encourage young attorneys to become involved in the OCBA. The next generation of leaders is vital for the strength of the OCBA because they bring new ideas and insight. I have been fortunate to have been involved in organizations that interface with that generation. As a member of the Board of Directors for the Horatio Williams Foundation, we work to engage underprivileged children and provide them with support and a sense of community. I also participate in the selection of federal court summer clerks with the Wolverine Bar Association. Through these experiences, I have learned how important outreach is to this demographic.

I am active in legal professional development, frequently speaking before such organizations as the Institute for Continuing Education, the Michigan Bar Labor and Employment Section, the Federal Bar Association, Michigan Association for Justice, as well as serving as a law school guest presenter. I am a contributor for the Institute for Continuing Legal Education and co-author of a chapter in the ICLE-published "Employment Litigation in Michigan; 3rd Edition."

My diverse experience provides me with the skills, insight, and qualifications to make positive contributions to the OCBA.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jennifer L. Lord