

POLICY STATEMENT ON PRACTICE OF LAW BY CORPORATIONS

The following policy shall be adopted commencing July 23, 1990, and remain in effect unless rescinded or modified by the Bureau Director.

The Corporation Division may file articles of incorporation for a nonprofit corporation which has in its purpose the providing of legal services if the articles comply with PA 354 of 1917, MCLA 450.681. The act provides, in part, that the prohibition against the practice of law by a corporation "shall not apply to organizations organized for benevolent or charitable purposes".

The Attorney General's office has advised the Bureau, in connection with the request to file articles for Elder Law of Michigan, Inc., that it is reasonable to interpret MCLA 450.681 to permit a nonprofit corporation to provide legal services if the corporation is organized for benevolent and charitable purposes.

Approved by Carl L. Tyson, Director
Corporation & Securities Bureau
on July 23, 1990