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COA Judge Bandstra to step down

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As reported by the *Grand Rapids Press* and several other media outlets, Michigan Court of Appeals Judge Richard Bandstra has announced that he will step down in January after serving 16 distinguished years on the Court. Before his election to the Court of Appeals in 1994, Judge Bandstra served 10 years in the Michigan Legislature. He was also an attorney with Warner Norcross & Judd LLP. In a press release, Judge Bandstra said he intends to spend more time with his family, and to look for opportunities for service in government or with a non-profit agency. His decision will give newly elected Governor Rick Snyder his first opportunity to appoint a member of the Michigan Court of Appeals.