

Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan Super Lawyers 2009

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Michigan Super Lawyers magazine recently named 29 attorneys from Plunkett Cooney, one of the Midwest's oldest and largest full-service law firms, to its 2009 list of "Super Lawyers."

The designation is based on statewide balloting by Michigan attorneys, research conducted by Law & Politics magazine, which publishes Michigan Super Lawyers magazine, and a peer review process that encompasses 60 different practice areas. Those named to the list represent only five percent of the state's licensed practitioners.

Mary Massaron Ross, Plunkett Cooney's Appellate Law Practice Group Leader, received special recognition by the magazine for the third consecutive year when she was included among the top 100 attorneys statewide and the top 50 women lawyers. In addition to being an a member of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers, Massaron Ross was recognized last year as a "Lawyer of the Year" by Michigan Lawyers Weekly for her work with national and state appellate bar groups. She serves as a National Director of DRI – The Voice of the Defense Bar, a member of the firm's Board of Directors, First Chair of the Michigan Supreme Court Historical Society Advocates Guild and Co-Chair of the Michigan Appellate Bench Bar Conference Foundation.

Also receiving special recognition by the magazine was Robert G. Kamenec, Plunkett Cooney's Insurance and Professional Liability Department Leader, who was included among the 2010 top 100 attorneys statewide. Kamenec is a member of the American Academy of Appellate Attorneys and a past "Lawyer of the Year," as selected by Michigan Lawyers Weekly, a leading publication serving the state's legal industry.

Below is Plunkett Cooney's complete list of partners receiving designation as a 2010 Michigan Super Lawyer:

Plunkett Cooney's Bloomfield Hills office members:

- Michael P. Ashcraft, Jr. – Professional Liability: Defense
- Douglas C. Bernstein – Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights
- William D. Booth – Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Charles W. Browning – Insurance Coverage
- Henry B. Cooney – Civil Litigation Defense
- Dennis G. Cowan – Land Use/Zoning
- Jerome A. Galante – Construction Litigation
- Jeffrey C. Gerish – Appellate
- Robert G. Kamenec – Appellate
- Theresa Smith Lloyd – Employment & Labor
- Stanley C. Moore, III – Employment & Labor

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- Scott H. Sirich – Construction Litigation
- D.J. Watters – Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice
- Michael D. Weaver – Personal Injury Defense: Products

Plunkett Cooney's Detroit office members:

- Loretta M. Ames – Personal Injury Defense: General
- Ernest R. Bazzana – Appellate
- James R. Geroux – Workers' Compensation
- Christine D. Oldani – Appellate
- Stanley A. Prokop – Insurance Coverage
- Mary Catherine Rentz – Insurance Coverage
- Mary Massaron Ross – Appellate
- James C. Thomas – Criminal Defense: White Collar

Plunkett Cooney's East Lansing office member:

- David K. Otis – Government/Cities/Municipalities

Plunkett Cooney's Flint office members:

- H. William Reising – Civil Litigation Defense

Plunkett Cooney's Grand Rapids office members:

- Mark H. Verwys – Personal Injury Defense: Products

Plunkett Cooney's Kalamazoo office members:

- Michael S. Bogren – Government/Cities/Municipalities

Plunkett Cooney's Mount Clemens office members:

- D. Jennifer Andreou - Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice
- Lawrence R. Donaldson – Alternative Dispute Resolution

Plunkett Cooney's Petoskey office members:

- Steven L. Barney – Professional Liability: Defense

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Established in 1913, Plunkett Cooney employs more than 150 attorneys in nine Michigan cities, Columbus, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana. The firm, which provides a range of transactional and litigation defense services, has achieved the highest rating (AV) awarded by Martindale-Hubbell, a leading, international directory of law firms.

BTI Consulting, a leading provider of strategic marketing research to the legal industry, recently named Plunkett Cooney among its top law firms nationally for client service. This honor was based on feedback provided by our clients participating in the survey who were asked to name, unprompted, their "go to" law firms. Plunkett Cooney was honored in seven service categories, including exceptional client focus, commitment to help, providing value, communications, national resources, quality and meeting technical specifications.

For more information about Plunkett Cooney's 2010 Michigan Super Lawyers," contact the firm's Practice Development Manager John Cornwell at (248) 901-4008.

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