

# Legal Publication names Cooney among Leaders in the Law

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Plunkett Cooney partner Henry (Hank) B. Cooney was recently nominated as a 2019 Leaders in the Law by Michigan Lawyers Weekly (MLW), an industry publication serving the state's legal community.

Cooney along with 29 other honorees were selected for, among other things, their significant accomplishments or achievements in practice, outstanding contributions to the practice of law in Michigan, leadership in improving the state's justice system, seeking improvements to the legal and local communities, and setting an example for other lawyers.

The 11th annual luncheon and awards ceremony for the Class of 2019 was held on April 18 at the Detroit Marriott Troy. In addition, the honorees were profiled in a special section of the April 22 issue of MLW.

A member of the firm's Litigation Department, Cooney has the distinction of having served for 16 years as President & CEO of Plunkett Cooney, one of the Midwest's oldest and largest law firms, from 1998 to 2015. Among his responsibilities were the review and management of the Professional Code of Ethics for firm members, including all aspects of the attorney-client relationship, conflicts of interest, advocacy, public service and maintaining the integrity of the profession.

A 1980 graduate of University of Detroit School of Law, Cooney's legal practice entails nearly 40 years of experience in the areas of product liability, construction liability and commercial litigation. He is also frequently called upon to serve as a case arbitrator and facilitator under the provisions of Michigan's alternative dispute resolution system. Cooney received his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan in 1973.

Cooney is a member of the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association and its Foundation, Michigan Defense Trial Counsel, American Bar Association, the State Bar of Michigan and the DRI – The Voice of the Defense Bar.



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Always giving back to his community, Cooney is a past chair for the board of directors of University of Detroit Jesuit High School and the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion. He has also served on the boards of directors for the American Heart Association of Southeast Michigan and the board of trustees for Life Directions.

Established in 1913, Plunkett Cooney is a leading provider of transactional and litigation services to clients in the private and public sectors. The firm employs approximately 150 attorneys in eight Michigan cities, Chicago, Illinois, Columbus, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana. Plunkett Cooney has achieved the highest rating (AV) awarded by Martindale-Hubbell, a leading, international directory of law firms. The firm has also been selected by Crain's Detroit Business as its inaugural Law Firm of the Year.

*For more information about Hank Cooney's selection as a Leader in the Law, contact the firm's Director of Marketing & Business Development John Cornwell at (248) 901-4008 or via email at [jcornwell@plunkettcooney.com](mailto:jcornwell@plunkettcooney.com).*

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