

Legal publication names Goldman among its Go To Lawyers for commercial real estate

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Plunkett Cooney partner Howard B. Goldman was recently named to the 2023 Class of Go To Lawyers for Commercial Real Estate as determined by Michigan Lawyers Weekly (MiLW).

A member of the firm's Bloomfield Hills office, Goldman will be featured in a special section of the newspaper's July 31 print edition and in digital issues of MiLW, a publication that covers the state's legal community. Michigan's Go To Lawyers is a nomination-based program that recognizes the top lawyers across the state in given areas of practice.

According to MiLW, the "Go To Lawyer" designation is awarded based on experience, expertise and track records of success. The review includes size and scope of litigation or transactional practices, high referral rates based on expertise and accomplishments, and creative problem solving that identifies all options for clients. Nominated lawyers are those whose colleagues would refer to a business associate, friend or use themselves in a particular field of expertise.

A member of Plunkett Cooney's Business Transactions & Planning Practice Group, Goldman has over 35 years of experience negotiating and representing borrowers, lenders, landlords and tenants in all aspects of commercial real estate transactions. He handles finance, sale-leaseback and commercial leases and build to suit transactions, and he assist clients with the purchase and financing of commercial properties and the creation and renovation of corporate campuses and relocations. Goldman also negotiated with lenders regarding COVID-19 and its impact on hospitality and retail properties. He also works with a number of clients in Michigan's cannabis industry.

Admitted to practice in Michigan, Illinois and New York, Goldman received his law degree, *cum laude*, from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1985. He is a member of the Illinois and New York State bar associations and the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan. He also serves as the Michigan Chair of the American College of Mortgage Attorneys. He received his undergraduate degree, *cum laude*, from Loyola University Chicago in 1982.

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Members of Plunkett Cooney's Business Transactions & Planning Practice Group represent business organizations of all types, including corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, and joint ventures among others through all phases of business. The firm's attorneys have decades of experience and offer legal services in the areas of general corporate law, licensing and real estate law, including purchases, sales, leasing, land development and the financing transactions associated with such matters.

Established in 1913, Plunkett Cooney is a leading provider of business law and litigation services to clients in the private and public sectors. The firm employs approximately 130 attorneys in seven Michigan cities, Chicago, Illinois, Columbus, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana.

Plunkett Cooney recently received Mansfield Rule Certification for midsize law firms, which recognizes leaders in diversity, equity and inclusion within the legal industry. The firm has also achieved the highest rating (AV) awarded by Martindale-Hubbell, a leading, international directory of law firms, and it was recently named a 2023 "Best Law Firm" nationally in 12 practice areas as determined by U.S. News – Best Lawyers®.

For more information about Howard Goldman's selection as a 2023 MiLW Go To Commercial Real Estate Lawyer, contact the firm's Director of Marketing and Business Development John Cornwell at (248) 901-4008; jcornwell@plunkettcooney.com.

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