

Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2010

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Michigan Super Lawyers magazine recently named 33 attorneys from Plunkett Cooney, one of the Midwest's oldest and largest law firms, to its 2010 list of "Super Lawyers."

The designation is based on statewide balloting by Michigan attorneys, research conducted by Thomson Reuters, 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 fourth 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 in 2008 as a "Lawyer of the Year" by Michigan Lawyers Weekly for her work with national and state appellate bar groups. She serves as the first vice president of DRI – The Voice of the Defense Bar and is a member of the firm's Board of Directors, the Litigation Counsel of America, and the American and Michigan State bar foundations.

Below is a list of Plunkett Cooney's partners who have received the 2010 Michigan Super Lawyer designation:

Plunkett Cooney's Bloomfield Hills office members:

- Michael P. Ashcraft, Jr. – Professional Liability: Defense
- Douglas C. Bernstein – Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights, Real Estate and Banking
- William D. Booth – Alternative Dispute Resolution, Civil Litigation Defense and Professional Liability: Defense
- Charles W. Browning – Insurance Coverage
- Henry B. Cooney – Civil Litigation Defense and Personal Injury Defense: Products
- Dennis G. Cowan – Land Use/Zoning, Government/Cities/Municipalities and Business/Corporate
- Jerome A. Galante – Construction Litigation, Personal Injury Defense: Products and Personal Injury Defense: General
- Jeffrey C. Gerish – Appellate and Insurance Coverage

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- Michael J. Hagerty – Civil Litigation Defense
- Robert G. Kamenec – Appellate, Insurance Coverage and Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice
- Theresa Smith Lloyd – Employment & Labor and Employment Litigation: Defense
- Stanley C. Moore, III – Employment & Labor
- Scott H. Sirich – Construction Litigation and Professional Liability: Defense
- Leslie J. Stein – Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights, Banking and Business/Corporate
- D. Jerry Watters – Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice and Personal Injury Defense: General
- Michael D. Weaver – Personal Injury Defense: Products and Professional Liability: Defense

Plunkett Cooney's Detroit office members:

- Loretta M. Ames – Personal Injury Defense: General and Class Action/Mass Torts
- Ernest R. Bazzana – Appellate, Construction Litigation and Personal Injury Defense: Products
- James R. Geroux – Workers' Compensation
- Kenneth C. Newa – Insurance Coverage and Construction Litigation
- Christine D. Oldani – Appellate, Government/Cities/Municipalities and Professional Liability: Defense
- Stanley A. Prokop – Insurance Coverage, Civil Litigation Defense and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Mary Catherine Rentz – Insurance Coverage
- Mary Massaron Ross – Appellate
- James C. Thomas – Criminal Defense: White Collar and Criminal Defense

Plunkett Cooney's East Lansing office member:

- David K. Otis – Government/Cities/Municipalities, Civil Rights/First Amendment and Land Use/Zoning

Plunkett Cooney's Flint office members:

- Audrey J. Forbush – Government/Cities/Municipalities, Employment & Labor and Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice
- H. William Reising – General Litigation and Civil Litigation Defense, Personal Injury Defense: General

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Plunkett Cooney's Grand Rapids office members:

- Mark H. Verwys – Personal Injury Defense: Products, Personal Injury Defense: General and Construction/Surety

Plunkett Cooney's Kalamazoo office members:

- Michael S. Bogren – Government/Cities/Municipalities, Employment Litigation: Defense and Civil Rights/First Amendment

Plunkett Cooney's Mount Clemens office members:

- D. Jennifer Andreou - Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice
- Lawrence R. Donaldson – Alternative Dispute Resolution, Professional Liability: Defense and General Litigation

Plunkett Cooney's Petoskey office members:

- Steven L. Barney – Professional Liability: Defense, Business Litigation and Personal Injury Defense: Products

Established in 1913, Plunkett Cooney employs approximately 160 attorneys in nine Michigan cities, Columbus, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana. The firm has achieved the highest rating (AV) awarded by Martindale-Hubbell, a leading, international directory of law firms and is listed among the U.S. News – Best Lawyers “Best Law Firms” in 2010. Plunkett Cooney has also received several awards naming the firm as a top place to work in the legal industry.

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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