

Bernstein named to Legal Publication's 2023 Hall of Fame Class

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Plunkett Cooney partner Douglas C. Bernstein was recently named to the Michigan Lawyers Weekly (MiLW) Hall of Fame Class of 2023.

Bernstein is one of 29 attorneys selected by MiLW as a top legal leader in Michigan who is over the age of 60 or who has been practicing for 30 years or more, building an exemplary career with numerous accomplishments and valuable contributions made to the community.

MiLW will host its annual Hall of Fame awards ceremony on April 21, at the Detroit Marriott Troy hotel. This year's honorees will also be profiled in a special section of the April 24 issue of MiLW.

A member of Plunkett Cooney's Bloomfield Hills office, Bernstein serves as the firm's Business Law Department Leader. He concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial litigation, loan restructuring, commercial loan documentation, bankruptcy, banking-related litigation and appeals. His clients include regional and national banks, credit unions and loan servicers, as well as automotive suppliers and charitable foundations.

Prior to joining Plunkett Cooney, Bernstein worked as an in-house attorney at Michigan National Corporation for over 20 years. He subsequently joined the Standard Federal Bank Legal Department when the bank merged with Michigan National Corporation in 2001.

Bernstein earned his undergraduate degree in 1978 from Wayne State University and his law degree in 1982 from the Detroit College of Law. He has received several honors for his legal work, including selection as a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy. He has also received an AV Preeminent™ rating by Martindale-Hubbell, a leading peer-to-peer professional ratings service, and he has earned designations as a Michigan Super Lawyer by *Super Lawyers* magazine from 2008 to 2022 and as one of the Best Lawyers in America® from 2014 to 2023. Bernstein has also been named as a 2018 Leader in the Law honoree and a 2020 Go To Lawyer for Business by MiLW.

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Plunkett Cooney is one of Michigan's leading law firms to the banking and finance industry. The firm represents numerous local, regional and national lenders in loan originations, loan workouts, acquisition of new banking powers, regulatory/legislative issues and related litigation. Plunkett Cooney attorneys also serve as counsel to businesses in the areas of bankruptcy and creditors' rights with noteworthy participation in numerous complex and high-profile bankruptcy and creditors' rights matters, including the city of Detroit's historic bankruptcy.

Established in 1913, Plunkett Cooney, which is one of the Midwest's oldest and most accomplished law firms, is a leading provider of business and litigation services to clients in the private and public sectors. The firm employs approximately 140 attorneys in seven 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.

For more information about Douglas Bernstein's selection as a 2023 MiLW Hall of Fame member, contact the firm's Director of Marketing & Business Development John Cornwell at (248) 901-4008 or via email at jcornwell@plunkettcooney.com.

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