

# Plunkett Cooney earns Mansfield Certification Plus for Diversity, Inclusion

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Plunkett Cooney, one of the Midwest's oldest and most accomplished law firms, has earned Mansfield Certification Plus 2024-2025 through Diversity Lab.

Mansfield is a year-long, structured certification process that Plunkett Cooney has committed to since 2021 to ensure all employees have a fair and equal opportunity to advance into leadership roles. The "Plus" designation is reserved for firms that voluntarily measure the outcomes of their inclusive processes and have achieved positive results.

"This is the second consecutive year the firm has earned the Mansfield Plus designation. I am proud our firm continues to create opportunities for all attorneys to excel," said Jeffrey C. Gerish, the firm's President and CEO. "We have seen that our diversity and inclusion efforts have positively impacted our business, and we look forward to continuing our partnership with Diversity Lab to advance diversity, equity and inclusion."

Mansfield is now entering its ninth year, and Plunkett Cooney is among over 275 firms that have achieved Mansfield Certification to advance a core value in the legal profession: the belief that everyone should have a fair opportunity for career advancement. It has become the standard by which law firms track and measure whether they have affirmatively considered at least 30% female lawyers, as well as those from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups, those with disabilities and those from the LGBTQ+ community for top leadership roles, senior-level lateral hiring, promotions into the equity partnership and participation in client pitch meetings.

Plunkett Cooney was established in 1913 and is a leading provider of business and litigation services to public and private sector clients across a range of industries. The firm employs attorneys in seven Michigan cities, as well as in Chicago, Illinois, Columbus, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana.

Plunkett Cooney has received the highest rating (AV) awarded by Martindale-Hubbell, a leading peer review service, and the firm was named among the Best Legacy Law Firms by Michigan Lawyers Weekly, a leading news publication covering the state's legal industry.



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PLUNKETT COONEY EARNS MANSFIELD CERTIFICATION PLUS FOR DIVERSITY, INCLUSION Cont.

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