

# 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 2023-2024 Mansfield Certification Plus 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.

"As a firm dedicated to creating opportunities for all attorneys to excel, we are thrilled to receive Mansfield Certification Plus," said Jeffrey C. Gerish, the firm's President and CEO. "It is incredibly rewarding to see the firm's diversity and inclusion efforts have positively impacted our business. We look forward to advancing inclusion, equity and diversity with Diversity Lab and other participating firms."

Mansfield is now entering its eighth year, and Plunkett Cooney is among over 360 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 achieved the highest rating (AV) awarded by Martindale-Hubbell, a leading, international directory of law firms and has been named by Best Companies Group as one of its 2023 Best Places to Work.



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