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### Firm leads Michigan in number of lawyers named

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Miller Canfield announced today that 137 of its lawyers were selected by their peers for inclusion in the pre-eminent legal referral guide, *Best Lawyers® 2013* published by Woodward/White, Inc. As the leading law firm in Michigan, Miller Canfield has 36 more lawyers earning this designation than the next most recognized Michigan firm.

Miller Canfield has lawyers named in 60+ categories including Banking and Finance, Commercial Litigation, Corporate Law, Criminal Defense, Energy, Information Technology Litigation, Employment & Labor Law, Public Finance, Real Estate and Tax.

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