

121 Miller Canfield Lawyers Named Super Lawyers and Rising Stars in 2013

Tom Cranmer Named #1 Lawyer in Michigan

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Miller Canfield announced today that 121 of its lawyers have been recognized in *Super Lawyers* in 2013. Seventy-five lawyers were named as "Super Lawyers" in Michigan; three in Illinois; one in Ohio. Thirty-nine lawyers in Michigan were named as "Rising Stars;" two in Illinois; and one in New York.

Special recognition went to **Thomas W. Cranmer**, whom the publication ranked as the top lawyer in Michigan. Cranmer is the co-leader of Miller Canfield's Litigation Practice Group. His practice focuses largely on white-collar criminal defense, complex commercial litigation and "bet-the-company" litigation. This is the third time in four years that Cranmer has been hailed as the top lawyer in the state.

Three other lawyers were ranked within the top 100 in Michigan: **Matthew F. Leitman** (Criminal Defense – White Collar, Troy office), **Megan P. Norris** (Employment and Labor, Detroit office) and **Jerome R. Watson** (Employment Litigation Defense, Detroit office).

Norris was also one of three Miller Canfield lawyers listed among the Top 50 Women Lawyers in Michigan, along with **Pamela C. Enslin** (Employment Litigation Defense, Kalamazoo office) and **Amy M. Johnston** (Personal Injury Defense: Products, Detroit office)

Miller Canfield lawyers named in **Super Lawyers Michigan 2013** (* denotes new to the list.)

Ann Arbor office

Joseph M. Fazio, Real Estate

Sonal Hope Mithani, Civil Litigation Defense

Thomas C. O'Brien, Criminal Defense

Stephen G. Palms, Real Estate

Detroit office

Marjory G. Basile, Intellectual Property Litigation

William B. Beach, Government/Cities/Municipalities

Orin D. Brustad, Employee Benefits/ERISA

Harold W. Bulger, Jr., Bonds/Government Finance

Beverly Hall Burns, Employment and Labor

Continued

Michael P. Coakley, Securities Litigation

Donna J. Donati, Employment and Labor

Lawrence M. Dudek, Real Estate

W. Mack Faison, Business Litigation

Adam S. Forman, Employment and Labor

Joseph F. Galvin, Litigation

Leonard D. Givens, Employment and Labor

Jonathan S. Green, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights

Saul A. Green,* Criminal Defense

Michael W. Hartmann, Litigation

Irene Bruce Hathaway, Litigation

Todd A. Holleman,* Business Litigation

Amy M. Johnston, Personal Injury Defense: Products (Top 50 Women Michigan Super Lawyers)

Stephen S. LaPlante, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights

Thomas W. Linn, Government/Cities/Municipalities

Michael P. McGee, Bonds/Government Finance

Jeffrey M. McHugh, Tax

Christopher A. McMican, Employee Benefits/ERISA

Megan P. Norris, Employment and Labor (Top 50 Women Michigan Super Lawyers and Top 100 Michigan Super Lawyers)

A. Michael Palizzi, Business Litigation

Thomas G. Parachini, Business Litigation

Joel L. Piell, Government/Cities/Municipalities

Clarence L. Pozza, Jr., Business Litigation

Steven A. Roach, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights

Continued

Jerry T. Rupley, Bonds/Government Finance

Larry J. Saylor, Business Litigation

Richard J. Seryak, Employment Litigation Defense

Michael H. Traison, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights

Amanda Van Dusen, Bonds/Government Finance

Richard A. Walawender, Mergers and Acquisitions

Peter W. Waldmeir, Litigation

Jerome R. Watson, Employment Litigation Defense (Top 100 Michigan Super Lawyers)

John H. Willems, Employment and Labor

Grand Rapids office

Robert L. DeJong, Litigation

Joseph M. Infante,* Business Litigation

Charles (Sandy) Mishkind, Employment Litigation Defense

Stanley J. Stek, Litigation

Trent J. Taylor, Banking

Kalamazoo office

Ronald E. Baylor, Environmental

Eric V. Brown, Jr., Securities and Corporate Finance

Douglas L. Callander, Employment and Labor

Pamela C. Enslin, Employment Litigation Defense (Top 50 Women Michigan Super Lawyers)

Don M. Schmidt, Government/Cities/Municipalities

Kurt N. Sherwood, Employment and Labor

Lansing office

William J. Danhof, Bonds/Government Finance

Christopher J. Dembowski, Bonds/Government Finance

Continued

Michael J. Hodge, Employment Litigation Defense

Harvey J. Messing, Utilities

Thomas C. Phillips, Environmental

Sherri A. Wellman, Energy & Natural Resources

Troy office

James L. Allen, Real Estate

Thomas G. Appleman, Securities and Corporate Finance

Brad B. Arbuckle, Securities and Corporate Finance

Thomas W. Cranmer, White-Collar Criminal Defense (#1 Ranked Michigan Super Lawyer)

Gerald J. Gleeson II, Litigation

Gary R. Glenn, Tax

Kal G. Goren, Employee Benefits/ERISA

Robert J. Haddad, Civil Litigation Defense

Ronald E. Hodess, Real Estate

David D. Joswick, Securities and Corporate Finance

Kenneth E. Konop, Estate Planning and Probate

Matthew F. Leitman, White-Collar Criminal Defense (Top 100 Michigan Super Lawyers)

Stephen J. Ott, Personal Injury Defense: Products

Ronald H. Riback, Banking

Dawn M. Schluter, Estate Planning and Probate

James A. Simpson, Banking

Miller Canfield lawyers named "Rising Stars" in **Super Lawyers Michigan 2013**

Ann Arbor office

David D. O'Brien, Criminal Defense

Continued

Kimberly L. Scott, Intellectual Property Litigation

Suzanne K. Sukkar, Immigration

Detroit office

Lavon M. Ammori,* Employment Litigation: Defense

Laura M. Bassett,* Bonds/Government Finance

Colin M. Battersby,* Business Litigation

Kimberly A. Berger,* Intellectual Property Litigation

Emma T. Chen*, Business Litigation

Steven M. Frank, Bonds/Government Finance

Mary Kate Griffith,* Information Technology/Outsourcing

Noah Page Hood,* Business Litigation

Shawn N. Hopper,* Banking

Lara L. Kapalla,* General Litigation

Robert E. Murkowski,* Business Litigation

Adam B. Norlander, Banking

Nelson O. Ropke, Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor

Jennifer L. Sabourin, Employment Litigation Defense

Saura James Sahu, Employment and Labor

Brian M. Schwartz, Employment Litigation Defense

M. Misbah Shahid,* Employment and Labor

Michael C. Simoni,* Business Litigation

Joni M. Thrower-Grundy,* Securities and Corporate Finance

Christopher M. Trebilcock, Employment and Labor

Joseph G. Vernon, Business Litigation

Richard W. Warren, Jr., Employment and Labor

Continued

Kalamazoo office

Danielle Mason Anderson,* Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights

Paul D. Hudson, Appellate

James L. Liggins, Jr.,* Business Litigation

Leigh M. Schultz, Employment and Labor

Matthew B. Van Dyk,* Real Estate

Lansing office

Scott R. Eldridge, Employment Litigation Defense

Jaclyn Shoshana Levine, Environmental

G. Alan Wallace,* Government/Cities/Municipalities

Troy office

Matthew P. Allen,* Business Litigation

Eric C. Bartley, Banking

Alexander J. Clark,* Real Estate

Brian H. Holt, Real Estate

Abdu H. Murray, Business Litigation

Kenneth J. Sachs, Employee Benefits/ERISA

Miller Canfield lawyers named in ***Super Lawyers Illinois 2013***

Chicago office

Darryl R. Davidson, Bonds/Government Finance

Cara M. Houck, Business Litigation

Robert T. Zielinski, Labor and Employment

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Chicago office

Kathleen E. Koppenhoefer, Business Litigation

Continued

Jeffrey M. Drake, Intellectual Property Litigation

Miller Canfield lawyers named "Rising Stars" in ***Super Lawyers New York Metro 2013***

New York office

Gurinder J. Singh,* Business/Corporate

Miller Canfield lawyers named in ***Super Lawyers Ohio 2013***

Cincinnati office

Paul E. Perry*, Creditor Debtor Rights: Business

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