

Miller Canfield Again Ranks First in State for Municipal Bond Work

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The law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. announces that it once again ranks first among Michigan bond counsel firms in the 2003 Bond Counsel Rankings by Thomson Financial, completing 214 long term new bond issues totaling over \$4.1 billion. The firm has been ranked as the number one bond counsel in the state of Michigan every year in the ranking's 25-year history.

Miller Canfield's Public Law Group consists of 26 members, which is the largest group of municipal finance specialists in the state of Michigan. The Public Law Group specializes in capital projects and infrastructure improvements, economic and industrial development projects, environmental response projects, government and regulatory affairs, hospitals and housing, litigation and labor, and local, state and federal tax and employment. Miller Canfield's Public Law Group also ranks second nationally by volume of Industrial Development Long Term Municipal New Issues with issues totaling over \$278 million, and ranks fifth nationally by volume of Health Care Long Term Municipal New Issues with issues totaling over \$782 million.

"For over 100 years, Miller Canfield has offered insightful and valuable counsel to hundreds of municipalities located throughout the state, and to governmental agencies, school districts and other public authorities through its public law attorneys," said William J. Danhof, head of the top-ranked Public Law Group. "Our continued top ranking is a direct result of our constant dedication to providing the best bond counsel advice and service to clients."

The 300-attorney law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. was established in Detroit in 1852 and has offices in Ann Arbor, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Howell, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Monroe, and Troy, Michigan. Other offices are located in New York City, Pensacola, Florida, Washington, D.C., Windsor, Ontario, and in Gdynia, Katowice, and Warsaw, Poland. Visit www.millercanfield.com.