

## H. WILLIAM REISING



**Partner**

Plaza One Financial Center, Suite  
1B  
111 East Court Street  
Flint MI 48502

TEL: (810) 342-7001  
FAX: (810) 232-3159

H. William Reising joined Plunkett Cooney in 1970 and has been a partner since 1977. He is the managing partner of the firm's Flint, Michigan office, where he concentrates his practice on litigation defense in the areas of municipal liability, general negligence, product liability and professional negligence.

Mr. Reising is a member of the American, Michigan, Federal and Genesee County bar associations. In addition, he is a member of the International Association of Defense Counsel, the DRI-The Voice of the Defense Bar and the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel.

### Representative Client Work

- Represented municipal entity in association with exclusionary zoning litigation involving denial of appropriate zoning for placement of mobile home park. The claims were dismissed on motion for summary disposition, and upheld on appeal.
- Represented municipal entity with respect to placement of recreational vehicle park in a residential area where the zoning reclassification had been denied. The claims were dismissed on motion for summary disposition, and upheld on appeal.
- Represented municipal entity with respect to claims by store owner concerning signage on store, and that municipal entity had unconstitutionally deprived the store owner of adequate signage. The municipal entity's position was upheld, and constitutional claims were dismissed.

### Areas of Practice

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Education Law
- Litigation
- Municipal Law
- Professional Liability

### Honors & Awards

- Martindale-Hubbell's highest rating-AV Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated. AV Preeminent is a certification mark of Reed Elsevier Properties Inc., used in accordance with the Martindale-Hubbell® certification procedures, standards and policies.
- Michigan Super Lawyer in Civil Litigation Defense, Michigan Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters publication, 2006 - 2011
- Honored for work done as President for the Centennial Inns of Court (2003-2005)

### Education

- Detroit College of Law, J.D., 1968
- University of Dayton, B.S., 1964

### Bar & Court Admissions

- Michigan, 1969

- Represented municipal entity related to claims by several different plaintiffs who asserted various constitutional and civil rights violations related to their employment with that entity as members of the fire department. The claims were dismissed on motion for summary judgment.
- Represented municipal entity, and three municipal officials related to claims by former city manager that his contract had been interfered with, and that the municipal officials who were sued had conspired against him. All claims were dismissed on motion for summary disposition.
- Have represented numerous municipal entities, elected and appointed officials and municipal employees in litigation, which has resulted in those claims being dismissed on motion for summary disposition/summary judgment. Successful in more than 150 such motions in the past 10 years.
- Represented a roofing company in association with a fire loss claim where the claimed damages, as verified, exceeded \$6,500,000. After extensive discovery, the claims against the roofing company were resolved for \$25,000.

## Professional Affiliations

- Genesee County Bar Association (President, 2006)
- State Bar of Michigan (Negligence and Public Corporation Sections)
- Federal Bar Association
- American Bar Association (Labor Law, Litigation and Negligence Sections)
- Representative Assembly, State Bar of Michigan (2000 - present)
- Michigan Defense Trial Counsel
- National Counsel of Self-Insurers
- Defense Research Institute (DRI)
- American Inns of Court (Centennial Chapter – President, 2003-2005)
- International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions
- The International Association of Defense Counsel

## Community Involvement

- University of Dayton Alumni Board (Member, Board of Directors)
- Detroit College of Law Giving Committee
- University Club of Flint
- Flint Chamber of Commerce
- Shelter of Flint (presently President, Board of Directors)

## Publications and Lectures

- “Case Evaluation Preparation/Handling,” presenter, Genesee County Bar Association
- “Electronic Evidence in Federal Court,” speaker/presenter, Genesee County Bar

#### Association

- “Jail Liability Issues,” presenter, 2000 National PRIMA Conference
- 2001 Annual Meeting of the Michigan Municipal League “Jail Liability Issues,” presenter
- Speaker to various claims organizations concerning intentional tort exception to the exclusive remedy doctrine
- Speaker to area bar associations and groups discussing the “Effective Use of Legal Assistants”

#### News

- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan ‘Super Lawyers’ 2011
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan ‘Super Lawyers’ 2010
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan ‘Super Lawyers’ 2009
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan ‘Super Lawyers’ 2008
- Plunkett Cooney Attorneys Named 2007 Michigan ‘Super Lawyers’