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Jerry Watters, a member of the firm's Bloomfield Hills office, specializes in representing physicians and hospitals in medical liability cases.

Mr. Watters is a past president of the Association of Defense Trial Counsel, a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and is listed in *The Best Lawyers In America*®.

Mr. Watters received his undergraduate degree from the University of Detroit in 1954 and his law degree from The Detroit College of Law in 1957. In 1964, he obtained the Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter designation (CPCU).

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association
- Oakland County Bar Association
- State Bar of Michigan (Negligence Law Section)
- Michigan Defense Trial Counsel
- American Bar Association
- American College of Trial Lawyers (Fellow)
- American Society of Hospital Attorneys
- Association of Defense Trial Counsel (President 1970-1971)
- Defense Research Institute
- Society of Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters
- International Association of Insurance Counsel

### Areas of Practice

- Medical Liability

### Honors & Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America® for Medical Malpractice Law (Copyright 2010 by Woodward/White, Inc., of Aiken, S.C.), 1998-2011
- 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 Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice, Michigan Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters publication, 2006 - 2011
- Michigan Defense Trial Counsel, Excellence in Defense Award, 2006

### Education

- Detroit College of Law, L.L.B., 1957
- University of Detroit, Ph.B., 1954

### Bar & Court Admissions

- Michigan, 1957

## Community Involvement

- Franklin Community Association (Director 1985-1988)

## PUBLICATIONS AND LECTURES

- Lecture – “Medical Malpractice,” Society of Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters Foreign Seminar, London, 1978
- Lecturer to various medical, insurance, and legal groups on the subjects of medical malpractice, insurance, and products liability

## PROFESSIONAL LISTINGS

- Who's Who in America
- Who's Who in American Law
- Best Lawyers in America since 1991

## News

- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2011
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2010
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among 'Best' in America 2009
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2009
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys named among 'Best' in America 2010
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2008
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among 'Best' in America 2008
- Plunkett Cooney Attorneys Named 2007 Michigan 'Super Lawyers'