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A partner in the firm's Bloomfield Hills office, Michael D. Weaver is one of Plunkett Cooney's most accomplished trial attorney with over 50 cases tried to verdict.

Mr. Weaver represents an array of commercial clients directly and through their insurance providers. His litigation practice includes such areas of product liability, general liability, insurance law, labor and employment law, premises liability, motor vehicle liability and civil rights.

Mr. Weaver is a sought after speaker on his areas of expertise including trial practice, mitigating risk in business and techniques for managing high exposure and high profile litigation.

TRIAL EXPERIENCE

Representative list of trials in the areas of employment liability, product liability, premises liability, automobile negligence, and civil rights:

- *Chavez v. Waterford Schools*, U.S. District Court (2011)
- *Bellisimo v. Kennedy & Co*, Wayne County Circuit Court (2011)
- *Burgess v. Burgess*, Oakland County Circuit Court (2011)
- *Moceri v. Moceri*, Oakland County Circuit Court (2011)
- *Ferierra v. Ferierra*, Wayne County Circuit Court (2011)
- *Sandbaggers v. Gallagher*, Macomb County Circuit Court (2009)
- *Jackson v. Bullfrogs*, Oakland County Circuit Court (2009)
- *Vance v. Trainor*, Wayne County Circuit Court (2009)

Areas of Practice

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Civil Rights
- Commercial Litigation
- Education Law
- Family Law
- Labor & Employment Law
- Premises 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 Personal Injury Defense: Products, Michigan Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters publication, 2009-2011
- Samuel and Rose Helper Award for Oral Advocacy
- William P. Finch Book Award
- Edwin H. and Theresa Oehmke Award

Education

- Detroit College of Law, cum laude, J.D., 1990
- Arizona State University, B.S., 1986

Bar & Court Admissions

- Michigan, 1990
- Arizona, 2010

- *Darrow v. Potterville*, 56th Circuit Court - Eaton County (2008)
- *Diaz v. Inkster*, U.S. District Court (2007)
- *Neville v. Illumini*, 43rd District Court (2006)
- *People v. Lee*, Oakland County Circuit Court (2006)
- *Shelby Town Center v. Gorman's*, Macomb County Circuit Court(2006)
- *Gailbraith v. Crowell*, 24th Circuit Court - Sanilac County (2005)
- *Garden Fresh v. Buddies*, Oakland County Circuit Court (2005)
- *G.L. Associates v. Mariners Landing*, 41 District Court (2005)
- *Vancompernelle v. Eugene Welding*, 31st Circuit Court- St. Clair County (2004)
- *Kesner v. Olympia Aviation* (On Appeal), U.S. District Court (2003)
- *Jenkins v. Meijer* (98-Co2243-GC), 4th Circuit Court – Jackson County (2003)
- *Bredesen v. Musicians Union*, U.S. District Court (2001)
- *Stickney v. Oakland County*, Oakland County Circuit Court (2000)
- *Wytral v. Harlo Printing*, Wayne County Circuit Court (2000)
- *Decade Graphics v. Didde Web*, Oakland County Circuit Court (1998)
- *Saputo v. Oakland Township*, Oakland County Circuit Court (1997)
- *Wickland-Burgess v. YMCA*, Oakland County Circuit Court (1997)
- *Forrester v. Alan Ford*, Oakland County Circuit Court (1997)
- *Fugget v. McCarty*, 47th District Court (1995)
- *Flowers v. Kent*, 67-3 District Court (1995)
- *Karasinski v. Rochester*, Oakland County Circuit Court (1995)
- *Zwadeh v. Costa*, Oakland County Circuit Court (1994)
- *McCormick v. Kroger*, 16th District Court (1994)
- *Rossette v. Sharrard*, Oakland County Circuit Court (1992)
- *Harajili v. Michigan Millers*, Wayne County Circuit Court (1991)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Oakland County Bar Association (Negligence Committee)
- State Bar of Michigan (Alternative Dispute Resolution and Employment Sections)
- State Bar of Arizona

PUBLICATIONS AND LECTURES

- Arm Chair Critic's View of Michigan Defense Trial Counsel Meeting (Subject: Employment Law)
- "Circumstantial Evidence and Speculation After Skinner," *LACHES*, Oakland County Bar Association

Speaking Engagements

- Sexual Harassment, Lies and Social Media Mock Trial - Nov. 10

News

- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2011
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2010
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