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For over 40 years, James R. Geroux has defended workers' compensation claims for various insurance companies, as well as for self-insured employers.

A partner in the firm's Detroit office, Mr. Geroux is a frequent lecturer on the topic of workers' compensation at seminars conducted by the State Bar of Michigan, Institute of Continuing Legal Education, Michigan Self Insurers Association, American Law Firm Association, and various other groups.

Mr. Geroux is active with the State Bar of Michigan, formerly as a member of the Rules Committee and the Workers' Compensation Section Council. He is a member of the Defense Research Institute and is presently a member of the American Law Firm Association's Workers' Compensation Practice Group, National Steering Committee (Chairman 2004-2005).

Representative Client Work

- Counsel for Municipality on Significant Workers' Compensation Claim, Supreme Court, establishing new burden of proof on death claims.
- Defended municipalities, companies, insurance companies, third party administrators in 750 trials.
- Defended automobile company on many major workers' compensation claims and issuers, including coordination of benefits, psychiatric disability, cardiac disability, etc.

Professional Affiliations

- Macomb County Bar Association

Areas of Practice

- Litigation
- Workers' Compensation

Honors & Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America® for Workers' Compensation Law (Copyright 2010 by Woodward/White, Inc., of Aiken, S.C.), 2007 - 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 Workers' Compensation, Michigan Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters publication, 2007 - 2011
- Who's Who in Michigan, 1977

Education

- Detroit College of Law, J.D., 1970
- University of Detroit, B.S., 1964

Bar & Court Admissions

- Michigan, 1970

- Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians – Admitted to practice in tribal court
- State Bar of Michigan (Workers' Compensation Section Council)
- Michigan Association of Self-Insured's
- American Bar Association (Worker Compensation College, Fellow)
- American Law Firm Association (Workers' Compensation Practice Group - National Steering Committee, Chairman 2004-2005)
- Defense Research Institute
- National Council of Self-Insured's
- International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions (Associate Member)

Community Involvement

- Michigan State University/D.C.L. College Law Alumni Association (Board Member, 2009 - present)
- University of Detroit Alumni Association
- Birmingham-Bloomfield Families in Action
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association
- St. Hugo Catholic Church (President, Parent-Teacher Guild, coach)
- Central Macomb Chamber of Commerce
- Michigan Public Risk Managers Association (Associate)

Publications and Lectures

- Contributing Editor, "Workers' Compensation Law, A State-by-State Analysis/Michigan, Seventh Edition 2006, American Law Firm Association (ALFA)
- American Law Firm Association – Workers Compensation Practice Group
 - Evidence Based Medicine (2006)
 - Medicare (2004)
 - Workers Compensation/FMLA/ADA (1997)
 - Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (1993)
- Lorman Education Services – Workers Compensation – "Hearings" (2005-2006)
- ICLE – Definition of Disability (1997)
- Case Management Society – Stress-Psychiatric Claims (2001)

Fraternities

- Delta Sigma Pi, University of Detroit

Speaking Engagements

- Workers' Compensation Webinar

News

- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2011
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2010
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys named Among 'Best' in America' 2011
- 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
- Geroux named to MSU College of Law board
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among Michigan 'Super Lawyers' 2008
- Plunkett Cooney attorneys among 'Best' in America 2008
- Plunkett Cooney Attorneys Named 2007 Michigan 'Super Lawyers'