

## Four Secret Wardle Attorneys Have Been Named to the List of 2017 *Best Lawyers in America*©

Secret Wardle is pleased to announce that four of the Firm's attorneys have been named to the list of *Best Lawyers in America* for 2017. The first edition of *Best Lawyers in America* was published in 1983. It is now the oldest and most respected peer-review publication in the legal profession. *Best Lawyers* is known for its credibility, reaching a larger audience than any other legal publication, with more than 17 million readers. For more information regarding *Best Lawyers in America*, please visit <http://bit.ly/1KZLRtC>.

Congratulations to Thomas J. Azoni, Derk W. Beckerleg, William P. Hampton, and Mark E. Morley! All four attorneys are located in the Firm's Troy office and have been listed in their designated categories in Troy, Michigan.



Thomas J. Azoni



Derk W. Beckerleg



William P. Hampton



Mark E. Morley

Thomas J. Azoni is listed in the category Insurance Law. Mr. Azoni is a Senior Partner. He is a member of the Construction, General Negligence, Motor Vehicle Litigation, Premises Liability, and Trucking/Commercial Vehicle Practice Groups. He serves as Chair of the General Negligence Practice Group.

Derk W. Beckerleg is listed in the categories Land Use and Zoning Law, Litigation-Municipal, and Municipal Law. Mr. Beckerleg has been listed by *Best Lawyers in America* for five years. Mr. Beckerleg is an Executive Partner and Managing Partner of the Municipal Law Practice Group. He also serves as Chair of the Firm's Real Estate and Governmental Litigation Practice Groups.

William P. Hampton is listed in the categories Commercial Litigation, Family Law, Litigation-Land Use and Zoning, Litigation-Municipal, Litigation-Real Estate, Municipal Law, and Real Estate Law. Mr. Hampton has been listed by *Best Lawyers in America* for 20 years. Mr. Hampton developed the Firm's Municipal Law Practice Group from its inception into the renowned municipal law practice group that it is today. He is a past-president, senior partner, and managing partner of Secret Wardle's Municipal Law Practice Group.

Mark E. Morley is listed in the categories Litigation-Insurance and Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants. This is the second year that Mr. Morley has been listed by *Best Lawyers in America*. Mark E. Morley is a Senior Partner and Co-Managing Partner of the Firm. He is a member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution, Employment, Insurance Coverage, Malpractice/Professional Liability, Motor Vehicle Litigation, Product Liability, and Trucking/Commercial Vehicle Litigation Practice Groups. He serves as Chair of the Malpractice/Professional Liability Practice Group.

Secret Wardle is a law firm specializing in defense litigation and counsel for insurance, municipal, and commercial clients headquartered in Troy, Michigan, with additional offices in Grand Rapids and Lansing.

