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Photos listed left to right: William P. Hampton, Derk W. Beckerleg

SECREST WARDLE MUNICIPAL LAW DEPARTMENT ATTORNEYS NAMED IN THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA

Secrest Wardle is pleased to announce that the following attorneys in its Municipal Law Department will be listed in the 2013 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®, a resource for locating outstanding attorneys who specialize in specific practice areas. In addition, Secrest Wardle's Municipal Department received a "Metropolitan First-Tier Ranking" in the areas of Family Law, Litigation-Land Use and Zoning, Litigation-Municipal, and Municipal Law.

Selection follows a peer-review process. William P. Hampton, a former state legislator and Oakland County Circuit Court Judge, was recognized in the areas of Commercial Litigation, Family Law, Litigation-Land Use & Zoning, Litigation-Municipal, Litigation-Real Estate, Municipal Law, and Real Estate Law. He is attorney for the Cities of Bloomfield Hills and Auburn Hills, and attorney for the Townships of Bloomfield, and West Bloomfield. Derk W. Beckerleg was recognized in the areas of Litigation-Municipal and Municipal Law. He is the Assistant City Attorney for the City of Auburn Hills and the City of Bloomfield Hills and is Assistant Township Attorney for West Bloomfield Township. He also represents the following municipalities with respect to their Michigan Tax Tribunal matters: City of Auburn Hills, Charter Township of Bloomfield, City of Bloomfield Hills, Charter Township of Independence, Charter Township of West Bloomfield, Lenox Township, Southfield Township, City of Dearborn Heights, Village of Bingham Farms, and the City of Walled Lake.