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## *Benchmark Litigation* Names Bodman PLC Michigan Firm of the Year

The internationally recognized client and peer-review journal *Benchmark Litigation* has named Bodman PLC the winner of its 2017 Michigan Firm of the Year Award.

It is the fourth consecutive year that Bodman has earned the award. The selection was announced at a national award ceremony held on February 16, 2017 at the Essex House Hotel in New York.

The editors of *Benchmark* chose Bodman from a short list including some of Michigan's largest and most prestigious business law firms. State winners are selected based on client and peer feedback and an analysis of cases handled during the prior year, including potential precedent set or matters with notably high dollar amounts at stake. According to *Benchmark*, state-winning firms "are viewed as the dominant players on a state level, the ones who are most often retained as local counsel, with a proven bench of local stars."

"I congratulate our Litigation Group for another outstanding year in 2016," said Bodman Chairman Ralph E. McDowell. "They continue to deliver great results and maintain an exceptionally high standard of client service. The entire firm applauds them for this achievement."

*Benchmark Litigation* is North America's only publication to focus exclusively on the litigation and dispute resolution market. The editors rank law firms based on an extensive research process. For the current (2017) edition, the research process was conducted between March and November 2016 and included interviews with thousands of business litigation attorneys and their clients. As a result of that process, Bodman was ranked as "highly recommended" for business litigation, the highest level possible, and eleven Bodman attorneys were listed as "Litigation Stars" or "Future Stars."

Bodman's Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution Practice Group serves clients ranging from start-ups and local entrepreneurs to global conglomerates. Its attorneys appear before state and federal courts and non-judicial forums such as national and international arbitral panels. Client issues vary from breach of contract claims to antitrust, securities, professional liability, and other complex matters. The group's expertise spans many industries including banking and financial services, automotive, insurance, healthcare, general manufacturing, technology, real estate, and construction, among others.

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