

Law Offices Of



Celebrating 60 Years: 1948 – 2008

Contact: Kristi G. Woloszyk
Marketing Coordinator
Garan Lucow Miller, PC
248-641-7600
kwoloszyk@garanlucow.com

For Immediate Release:

P R E S S R E L E A S E

Garan Lucow Miller Attorneys Lori A. Ittner & David A. Couch

Accept Appointments From MDTC

GRAND RAPIDS – May 20, 2008 – **Lori A. Ittner** and **David A. Couch**, Shareholders in the Grand Rapids office of Garan Lucow Miller, P.C., have been appointed to the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel (MDTC) effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. Ms. Ittner has accepted the officer position of secretary and Mr. Couch has been appointed to act as General Liability Section Chair. MDTC officially announced the nominations at the annual Summer Conference on May 16 - 17 at the Marriott Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti.

Ms. Ittner graduated from Saginaw Valley State University with a B.A. in 1984 and earned her J.D. from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in 1988. Her areas of practice include automobile negligence, Michigan first-party benefits, balance billing issues, ERISA litigation and coverage litigation. She has presented numerous seminars on various topics including no fault, balance billing, ERISA, tort reform, Michigan first-party litigation, negotiation strategies, catastrophic loss, vocational rehabilitation management and Medicare Recovery Program.

Mr. Couch graduated with a B.A. from the University of Michigan in 1993, and in 1997, he earned his J.D. from the University of Detroit Mercy. He is admitted to practice in the State of Michigan, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, and the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan. He is a member of the State Bar of Michigan; the Grand Rapids Bar Association; MDTC; the American Inns of Court, Executive Committee; and the Federal Bar Association, West Michigan Chapter. Mr. Couch concentrates his practice in the areas of no fault and automobile negligence, insurance coverage issues, fire and property damage, and subrogation, among others.

MDTC was established in 1979 to enhance and promote the Defense Bar. It exists to facilitate greater exchange of views and advance the interests of civil defense attorneys. Visit www.mdtc.org for more information.

The Law Firm of Garan Luow Miller, P.C., a full-service law firm since 1948, provides quality representation on a personalized basis with a regional presence of nine offices throughout Michigan. The Firm's expertise encompasses virtually every aspect of insurance law as well as every feature of tort and commercial litigation, with full service business, workers' compensation, employment, real estate and estate planning practices. For more information, visit www.garanluow.com.

--- Garan Luow Miller, P.C. Celebrates 60 Years: 1948 – 2008 ---

###

Photographs are available on our website: <http://garanluow.com/new2/Pages/MediaCenter3.html>