

Thomas W. Cranmer

SERVICE AREAS

Business

- Health Law
 - Fraud, Abuse + False Claims

Litigation + Trial

- Health Law Litigation + Disputes
- Intellectual Property Litigation
 - Brand Protection + Counterfeiting
- Litigation + Trial Practice Overview
- Criminal Defense

Governments + Nonprofits

- Health Law
 - Fraud, Abuse + False Claims

EDUCATION

- Ohio Northern University, J.D.
- University of Michigan, B.A.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Michigan



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Thomas W. Cranmer concentrates his practice in both civil and criminal litigation. With more than 30 years of courtroom experience, his practice focuses largely on white-collar criminal defense, complex commercial litigation and arbitration/facilitation matters. Over the years, he has repeatedly been recognized as one of Michigan's leading trial lawyers.

"In the types of litigation matters we handle, the stakes are often very high. At Miller Canfield, we have an uncompromising commitment to achieving the best outcome possible in each and every case that we handle."

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Tom is a Deputy Chief of the Commercial Litigation Group as well as the leader of the Criminal Defense Practice Group. Prior to joining the firm, Tom served as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Oakland County and an Assistant Chief of the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Tom has extensive experience as a leader and instructor of trial advocacy including teaching for one of the preeminent trial advocacy programs in the United States, the National Institute of Trial Advocacy. In addition, he has lectured and written on a wide variety of civil litigation, criminal law and evidence topics. He is a co-author of a Michigan treatise, *Civil Trials and Evidence*, a contributing author to *Federal Civil Procedure Before Trial/Sixth Circuit*, as well as an Adjunct Professor of Law for The Thomas M. Cooley Law School teaching Evidence.

EXPERIENCE

Tom has represented corporations, partnerships, financial institutions and individuals in a wide variety of matters including:

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income tax evasion; Medicaid-Medicare, Blue Cross-Blue Shield and health-care fraud; Food & Drug Administration investigations; criminal OSHA, MIOSHA and state/federal environmental matters; criminal antitrust investigations; Customs violations; bankruptcy fraud; mail and wire fraud; insurance fraud; bank fraud and embezzlement; defense contractor fraud; securities fraud and matters with the SEC; public corruption; immigration matters, police corruption and misconduct and RICO violations.

He also has extensive experience in conducting internal corporate audits, independent Audit Committee reviews and counseling concerning corporate compliance programs. Tom has also been involved in handling complex civil litigation, labor and employment litigation, class action securities litigation as well as representing both attorneys and judges in a variety of proceedings alleging malpractice or professional misconduct.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow, 2000
- International Academy of Trial Lawyers, Fellow, 2000
- International Society of Barristers, Fellow, 2003
- American Board of Trial Advocates, 2000
- Litigation Counsel of America, Fellow, 2007
- State Bar of Michigan President, 2005-2006; President-Elect, 2004-2005; Chairperson, Public Policy Committee; Chairperson, Statewide Access to Justice Campaign; Board of Commissioners, 1997-2006; Representative Assembly, 1986-1992; Chairperson, Standing Committee on Grievance, 1993-1997; Co-Chairperson, Awards Committee, 2007-present; Member, Law and the Media Committee, 2006-present
- Michigan State Bar Foundation, Board of Trustees, 2006-present
- Federal Bar Association, Eastern District of Michigan; Chapter President, 1995-1996
- Oakland County Bar Foundation, Board of Directors, 1992-present; President, 2002-2003
- Oakland County Bar Association, Board of Directors, 1994-2003
- Oakland County Criminal Assignment Committee, Co-Chairperson and Founding Member, 1996-1999

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- United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, Trustee, Historical Society, 2007-present; Local Rules Advisory Committee, 1989-1992; Special Committee on Review of the Local Rules, 1990-1991
- Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference, Life Member, 1999-present
- American Bar Foundation, Fellow, 2005
- Michigan State Bar Foundation, Life Fellow, 1995
- Oakland County Bar Foundation, Charter Fellow, 1992
- American Arbitration Association, Hearing Panel Member, 1990-present
- Oakland County Circuit and District Courts, Mediator, 1986-present
- Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan, 1994-present
- National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 1986-present

HONORS + AWARDS

- Best Lawyers in America, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Criminal Defense (White-Collar and Non-White-Collar), Personal Injury Litigation, Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law; Detroit area "Bet-the-Company" Litigator of the year 2009
- Michigan Super Lawyers, Top 10 Michigan Super Lawyers 2006-2009; 3rd Top Point Getter in Michigan 2007; 2nd Top Point Getter in Michigan 2008; Top Point Getter in Michigan 2009
- Oakland County Republican Party, Practitioner of the Year, 2008
- Crain's Detroit Business, selected as one of Detroit's Power Lawyers, 2008
- Michigan Lawyers Weekly, 2007 Lawyer of the Year
- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business, Litigation, 2004-2009; White Collar Crime & Government Investigations, 2008-2009
- Who's Who in American Law
- Who's Who in America
- Who's Who in the World
- Who's Who in Detroit Business - Law, Crain's Detroit Business, November 2005
- Benchmark Litigation, Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys, 2008-present

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- Oakland County Bar Association's Distinguished Service Award, 1996
- Federal Bar Association's Leonard R. Gilman Award, Presented to an Outstanding Practitioner of Criminal Law, 1995
- Drug Enforcement Administration Award, 1981
- United States Department of Justice Special Achievement Award, 1980

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Thomas M. Cooley School of Law, Adjunct Professor of Law, (teaching Evidence), 2005-present

PUBLICATIONS

"How to Handle the Media in a High-Profile Case," Ann Arbor Area Business Monthly, May 2005

"Safeguarding Your Company: Key Factors Influencing Sentencing of Business Organizations," Midwest In-House, April 2005

"Civil Trials and Evidence," West Publishing, (2001) co-author with the Honorable Gerald E. Rosen, Honorable Kurtis T. Wilder and Rodger D. Young, Esq.

"Federal Civil Procedure Before Trial/Sixth Circuit," Lawyers Cooperative Publishing, (1996) contributing author

"Federal Criminal Practice Rules," James Publishing, Editorial Advisory Board (1996)

SPEECHES

"Prosecution of White Collar Crime," Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, 2009

"Revisiting Irving Younger's Ten Commandments of Cross Examination," State Bar of Michigan, Young Lawyers Seminar, 2009

"Home Run Motions in Federal Court," The Rutter Group, 2009

"Criminal Law & Opening Statements," State Bar of Michigan, Young Lawyers Seminar, 2008

"Recent Changes in Federal Rules of Civil Procedures and Local Court Rules," The Rutter Group, 2008

"Major Changes in Federal Practice," The Rutter Group, 2005

"Federal Trial Practice," The Rutter Group, 2004-2007

"Survival Skills in U.S. District Court," The Rutter Group, 1995;
2003

"Conducting an Effective Cross-Examination," Lorman Education
Services, 2003

"Federal Civil Trials," The Rutter Group, 2002

"A Day of Criminal Law in Genesee County: Issues in Sentencing
and Criminal Practice and Procedure Update," Institute of Continuing
Legal Education, 2002

"Criminal Practice and Procedure Update," Institute of Continuing
Legal Education, 2002

"Federal Litigation a Cyberworld," The Rutter Group, 2001

"What Makes Juries Listen? - Connecting With the Jury," Institute of
Continuing Legal Education, 2001

"Federal Rules of Evidence Complex Issues - Practical Solutions,"
The Rutter Group, 1999

"How to Win Your First Jury Trial," Institute of Continuing Legal
Education, 1999

"Representing Criminal Defendants," Institute of Continuing Legal
Education, 1997

"Destination Federal Court," The Rutter Group, 1996

"Evidence: Sharpening Your Direct and Cross-Examination Skills,"
Institute of Continuing Legal Education, 1995

SEMINARS + EVENTS

- The Latest in Aggressive Healthcare Fraud Investigation and Law Enforcement
- Crime and Punishment: Legal Essentials for Physicians
- Breakfast Briefing: Protect your Company from Federal Criminal Liability
- Breakfast Briefing: Criminal Law Essentials for the Business Lawyer



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- Protect Your Company: An Executive Update on Recent Changes in Corporate Criminal Law

NEWS

- Miller Canfield Elects Managing Directors
- Miller Canfield Recognized as a Leading Litigation Firm in Michigan
- Miller Canfield Presents "Criminal Law Essentials for the Business Lawyer," March 4 in Birmingham

