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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Lee Hornberger announced today that he has received a First Tier ranking in Northern Michigan for Mediation by U.S. News – Best Lawyers® Best Law Firms in 2027; and that he has received a Second Tier ranking in Northern Michigan for Arbitration by U.S. News – Best Lawyers® Best Law Firms in 2027.

Firms included in the 2027 Edition of "Best Law Firms" are recognized for professional excellence with consistently impressive ratings from clients and peers. Achieving a tiered ranking signals a unique combination of quality law practice and breadth of legal expertise.

Lee Hornberger is a member of the National Academy of Arbitrators, a Diplomate Member of The National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, and a member of the Professional Resolution Experts of Michigan (PREMi). He is a former Chair of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Michigan, Editor Emeritus of *The Michigan Dispute Resolution Journal*, former member of the State Bar's Representative Assembly, former President of the Grand Traverse-Leelanau-Antrim Bar Association, and former Chair of the Traverse City Human Rights Commission. He is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a Fellow of the Michigan State Bar Foundation.

He was selected by *Michigan Lawyers Weekly* as a 2026 Michigan Legal 250 Honoree for alternative dispute resolution.

He has received the Distinguished Service Award from the State Bar's ADR Section in recognition of significant contributions to the field of dispute resolution. He has received the George Bashara Award from the ADR Section in recognition of exemplary service. He has received Hero of ADR Awards from the ADR Section.

He is a Reviewing Editor of Chapters 8 and 10 of Elkouri & Elkouri, *How Arbitration Works* (9th ed. 2026).

He is included in *The Best Lawyers of America* 2018-19 for arbitration, and 2020-__ for arbitration and mediation. He received a First Tier ranking in Northern Michigan for Mediation by Best Law Firms in 2022-__; a Second Tier ranking in Northern Michigan for Arbitration by Best Law Firms in 2022-__; and a Second Tier ranking in Northern Michigan for Mediation by Best Law Firms in 2020; and a First Tier ranking in Northern Michigan for Arbitration by Best Law Firms in 2019. He is on the 2016-__ Michigan Super Lawyers lists for alternative dispute resolution.

While serving with the U.S. Army in Vietnam, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Army Commendation Medals. The unit he was in was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation and the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation with Palm.

He holds his B.A. and J.D. *cum laude* from the University of Michigan and his LL.M. in Labor Law from Wayne State University.

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