

# Reinhart Attorney Makeever Named Judge Advocate for Mid-States Federation of Cosmopolitan International

ROCKFORD – Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren P.C. (Reinhart) shareholder and Rockford office managing partner Jeffery J. Makeever has been named a Judge Advocate for the Mid-States Federation of Cosmopolitan International. Since January of 2007, Makeever has been a member in excellent standing of the Rockford Men's Cosmopolitan Club.

Cosmopolitan International is a chartered, not-for-profit civic service organization founded in 1918. It consists of some 70 clubs with a membership of approximately 2,100 in the United States, Canada and Sweden. Cosmopolitan International has donated millions of dollars to diabetes research and treatment since adopting diabetes as its international focus. Makeever became involved in the Rockford Men's Cosmopolitan Club as a result of close relatives and good friends who are diabetics.

As Mid-States Federation Judge Advocate, Makeever will offer legal advice and counsel to ensure compliance with Cosmopolitan bylaws and arbitrate any potential club disputes. This Mid-States Federation staff position also includes conference with Cosmopolitan International Judge Advocate, Jim McVay, of Omaha. Nebraska.

Says Rick L. Swansbro, Governor of the Mid-States Federation, "As Chairman of Intellectual Property (IP) Law for Reinhart, Jeff is ideally qualified to serve the Mid-States Federation."

In his role as Chairman of Reinhart's IP practice, Makeever serves a wide range of university, individual and corporate clients in a variety of industries, including aerospace, consumer products and components, industrial equipment, medical research and equipment, and consumer software.

Makeever's clientele includes multinational clients headquartered in the United States, Europe, Australia and Asia, as well as research universities. He frequently functions as a trusted legal advisor to senior management—and as part of his client's in-house counsel team—provides counsel on forward planning issues and the training of engineering and marketing personnel.

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Makeever earned his B.S.E.E., with distinction, from Ohio Northern University and his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from John Marshall Law School.

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