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The Million Dollar Advocates Forum is pleased to announce that attorney Michael A Ponterio of Buffalo NY has been certified as a member.

The Million Dollar Advocates Forum is recognized as one of the most prestigious groups of trial lawyers in the United States. Membership is limited to attorneys who have won million and multi-million dollar verdicts, awards and settlements. The organization was founded in 1993 and there are approximately 4000 members located throughout the country. Fewer than 1% of U.S. lawyers are members. Forum membership acknowledges excellence in advocacy, and provides members with a national network of experienced colleagues for professional referral and information exchange in major cases. Members must have acted as principal counsel in at least one case in which their client has received a verdict, award or settlement in the amount of one million dollars or more. Please see our website for further details concerning membership qualifications.

Mr. Ponterio is a graduate of New England School of Law. His firm represents victims of mesothelioma and lung cancer caused by exposure to asbestos.