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DR. STEVEN L. RINGLER RECOGNIZED IN *AMERICA'S TOP DOCTORS® IN PLASTIC SURGERY* BY CASTLE CONNOLLY

April 23, 2011 - Grand Rapids, Michigan- Dr. Steven L. Ringler of the Center for Aesthetics and Plastic Surgery has been recognized in Castle Connolly's *America's Top Doctors*® in plastic surgery for 2011.

Castle Connolly Medical Ltd. is America's trusted source for identifying top doctors. Founded in 1991 by John K. Castle, (Chairman) and John J. Connolly, Ed.D. (President and CEO), who served as board chairman, and president and CEO of New York Medical College, respectively, its mission is to help consumers find the best healthcare. The doctors included in Castle Connolly's Top Doctor listings were selected after peer nomination, extensive research and careful review and screening by our doctor-directed research team. Doctors do not and can not pay to be listed as a Castle Connolly Top Doctor.

Castle Connolly states, "Today such independent assessment of medical care is more important than ever. Anyone can draw up a "best of" list – and many organizations do. Pharmaceutical companies favor those physicians who are high prescribers of their drugs. To many health insurers, a physician's fees are often a more important factor than quality. Many magazines and websites recommend health care providers who pay to get their names mentioned. But Castle Connolly has no such conflicts of interest. Our sole purpose is to help patients, their families and their employers find health care providers who deliver superior results."

Under the direction of its physician-lead research team, Castle Connolly surveys tens of thousands of physicians and hospital executives in order to identify, screen and, ultimately, select those physicians regarded by their peers as leaders - among the very best in their specialties and for specific diseases and techniques. Physicians cannot apply for nor subscribe to be included in the publication. Dr. Ringler stated, "It is quite an honor to be included in this publication and to be recognized by my peers in plastic surgery."

Ringler has also been listed by Best Doctors in America® in plastic surgery each year since 1996. Dr. Ringler is in solo practice in Grand Rapids, Michigan and limits his practice exclusively to aesthetic plastic surgery.

For more information, please visit Dr. Ringler's website: www.stevenringlermd.com