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# Sweet & Maier, S.C.



**Happy New Year...2016**

## Local Attorney Rob Van Scoyoc Receives Martindale-Hubbell's Highest Rating



Elkhorn law firm Sweet & Maier, S.C is pleased to announce that Rob Van Scoyoc has recently been recognized for his legal expertise and professional stature with a Martindale Hubbell AV rating in Real Estate, Zoning, Planning and Land Use and Commercial Real Estate. An AV rating is the highest

possible rating, based on legal ability and general ethical standards. The Martindale Hubbell peer review ratings are an objective indicator of a lawyer's high ethical standards and professional ability, generated from evaluations of lawyers, by other members of the bar and the judiciary. Rob has practiced law in Illinois and Wisconsin for 6 years, and together with attorney John L. Maier, Jr., continue to operate under the banner Sweet & Maier, S.C., on North Church Street in Elkhorn. The practice concentrates in real estate, environmental, business, zoning, condominium law, estate

planning and probate law. John L. Maier, Jr., President of Sweet & Maier commented, "His training and experience matches the kind of work our firm is known for, and his reputation for honesty and integrity is equally important to us."

Attorney VanScoyoc concentrates his practice primarily in the areas of corporate and business law, condominiums, and both residential and commercial real estate. During the past 6 years, among other areas of the law, Rob has helped clients purchase and sell residential,

agricultural and commercial properties, has been involved in real estate exchange transactions, closed on the purchase and sale of businesses, and has enjoyed assisting with the formation and operation of corporations, limited liability companies and other business entities.

Sweet & Maier, S.C., provides legal services throughout Wisconsin and Northern Illinois, and prides itself on small town personal service, coupled with the technical expertise developed over years of practice. The Firm maintains a Website at [www.wisclaw.com](http://www.wisclaw.com).

### New Year's Traditions..... Who were the first to make resolutions for the new year?

People have been pledging to change their ways in the new year—whether by getting in shape, quitting a bad habit or learning a skill—for an estimated 4,000 years now. The tradition is thought to have first caught on among the ancient Babylonians, who made promises in order to earn the favor of the gods and start the year off on the right foot. Why make resolutions? Even though our habits and challenges continue from one year into the next, people see the start of a new year as a blank slate. It's a good time to take stock of your life and focus on the things you could do differently. The nostalgia that swirls around the holiday season, with all of its tradition, makes the end of the year a good time to think about what matters most in your life. While it's worthwhile to have goals, it's better to set goals that you can attain.

Here's a few I think I could accomplish:

- I will read the manual...just as soon as I find it.
- I will start buying lottery tickets at a luckier store.
- I will try to drive closer to the speed limit.
- I will balance my checkbook. (on my nose)
- I will spend more time with neglected children...my own.

