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Art Dudley and Marcus Williams named to Who's Who in Black Detroit

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DETROIT, Mich. – Butzel Long attorneys Arthur Dudley II and Marcus A. Williams have been named in the 2006 inaugural edition of *Who's Who in Black Detroit®*. The book includes photos, historical and biographical data on local leaders in the metropolitan Detroit area. The book is produced by Who's Who Publishing Company, the nation's largest annual directory publisher targeting the African-American market.

Arthur Dudley II – He has practiced law for more than 25 years and has extensive experience in nearly all aspects of corporate law. He has had primary responsibility for mergers and acquisitions, securities matters (including public offerings), general counsel work, counseling minority business enterprises, and a variety of other matters, including executive compensation, corporate contracts, joint ventures and strategic alliances and technology licensing.

Mr. Dudley provides ongoing counseling to public companies involving issues concerning corporate governance, compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, transactions in restricted securities, transactions governed by Section 18(b) of the 1934 Act and matters related to corporate disclosure. His securities law experience with public companies has also included a variety of other transactions, such as mergers and acquisitions.

He has represented emerging high tech corporations in venture capital private placements and as general counsel, and has had principal responsibility for or participated in international acquisitions and divestitures and international corporate restructurings and reorganizations. He has many years of experience in designing and drafting equity based compensation plans as well as individual executive employment agreements. He is experienced with change of control and corporate governance issues, as well as "golden parachute" issues.

In 2006, Mr. Dudley was honored by the Michigan Minority Business Development Council and received the Council's 7 GEMS Award. He also serves as a member of the Council's Board of Directors. Last year, Mr. Dudley was honored by Black United Fund (BUF) for 20 years of volunteerism and was elected as Vice President of the Legal Aid and Defender Association, where he also serves as a member of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Dudley has been an Adjunct Professor in the College of Business and Administration at the University of Detroit Mercy, where he taught graduate and undergraduate courses in business law

Mr. Dudley received a Juris Doctor degree from Yale Law School and a Master of Arts degree in Economics from Yale University in 1977. Prior to law school, Mr. Dudley attended Harvard College as National Merit Scholar, graduating *cum laude* with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics in 1973.

Marcus A. Williams – His practice includes corporate transactions, corporate finance, securities and business law. He is actively involved in all phases of negotiating, drafting and closing complex corporate transactions, domestic and international, for public and privately held companies, including mergers and acquisitions, equity investments in growth companies, joint ventures and strategic alliances. He also advises securities issuers and broker-dealers with respect to compliance matters under the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Act and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

Prior to joining Butzel Long, Mr. Williams was a tax consultant for PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, where he specialized in tax planning and compliance for business combinations and divestitures. His tax practice focused primarily on transactions involving wealthy individuals, closely held corporations and flow-through entities. He has represented taxpayers in audits and other disputes before the Internal Revenue Service. Mr. Williams has considerable experience in real estate transactions and valuation, particularly in eminent domain proceedings. He has represented the Detroit/Wayne County Stadium Authority, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and the Detroit Economic Development Corporation in various real estate acquisition and condemnation matters.

Mr. Williams is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School (J.D. 1996) and the University of Michigan Business School (B.B.A. 1993), where he specialized in Corporate Finance. He is currently a director and Chair of the Audit Committee of Think Detroit Police Athletic League, a non-profit corporation which is widely recognized for its management excellence. He serves on the Board of Advisors of the Boll Family YMCA in Downtown Detroit, where he serves on the Leadership Development Committee and the Strong Kids Campaign Committee. He is also Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Paula L. Tutman Children's Toothfairy Foundation, a non-profit corporation which was recently organized to provide dental care funding to under served children in the Metropolitan Detroit Area. He has served on the Executive Board of the National Association of Black Accountants, Detroit Chapter, as Co-Chairperson of the Student Affairs Committee, and is a member of the University of Michigan Business School Club of Detroit.

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