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Butzel Long Taxation and Succession Planning Institute hosts seminar on October 25 in Troy

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DETROIT, Mich. – The **Butzel Long Taxation and Succession Planning Institute** is hosting a seminar entitled, "Plan Now to Preserve Future Wealth" from 7:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. on **Thursday, October 25, 2007 at the Troy Marriott at 200 West Big Beaver in Troy**. The program is designed for Certified Public Accountants (CPA), Chief Financial Officers (CFO) and financial planners. The attendance fee is \$100 per person and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and seminar materials. Michigan Certified Public Accountants (CPA) are eligible to receive five Continuing Education Credits (CPE) for participating in the seminar.

The program will provide attendees with current information regarding a variety of tax and business topics to help preserve a client's wealth for the future. An interactive panel of attorneys will address issues practitioners may face in the coming months and during the 2008 compliance season. These discussions will prepare and enable practitioners to better recognize issues and discuss them with clients.

The Butzel Long Taxation and Succession Planning Institute includes attorneys with a long history of serving businesses and individuals with their tax, estate planning and succession planning needs.

Moderators for the seminar include **John J. Raymond, Jr.** and **R. Peter Prokop** of Butzel Long's Business, Taxation and Succession Planning practice groups. In addition, the following Butzel Long attorneys are featured speakers: **David W. Sommerfeld, Robert P. Perry, Amy L. Glenn, W. Patrick Dreisig, R. Peter Prokop, Sean H. Cook, Robert M. Nemzin, Terry O. Lang, Jeffrey D. Moss, Richard A. Shapack.**

Seminar topics include:

- How practitioners are addressing the pending 2010 repeal of the federal estate tax
- Beneficiary Selection for Retirement Plans – Proactive Planning lets Your Client Choose the Tax Result
- Are Straight Gifts a Bad Deal?
- Private Foundations and Other Exempt Organizations
- Keeping Capital Gain Treatment When Forming or Selling a Business
- Getting Generations of Fun From Your Vacation Property

Tim Ward, the senior lobbyist for **Butzel Long Government Affairs**, will address Michigan's 2007 tax reforms from a political viewpoint. Mr. Ward is a 15-year veteran of government service, lobbying, and campaign management. He served in various government positions including Governor John Engler's director of external affairs, staff positions in the Michigan House and Senate, as well as Oakland County government.

Register online at www.butzel.com. For inquiries, call Sherry Beaupré at Butzel Long at (313) 983-7415.

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