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## Butzel Long adds two attorneys to firm

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DETROIT, Mich. – Attorneys **Jeremy R. Cnudde** and **Roxana Gale** have joined **Butzel Long**. Mr. Cnudde is a senior attorney who concentrates his practice on corporate transactions and federal and state tax planning and tax appeal litigation. Ms. Gale focuses her practice on real estate.

“Jeremy and Roxana are solid attorneys with exceptional experience in their key practice areas,” said **Justin G. Klimko**, President, Butzel Long. “They are a wonderful addition to the Butzel Long team.”

### **Jeremy R. Cnudde**

Mr. Cnudde practices in Butzel Long’s Bloomfield Hills and Detroit offices. He represents middle-market, entrepreneurial businesses with diverse backgrounds, including those in the manufacturing, aerospace and defense, distribution, retail grocery, and agricultural industries.

He assists with mergers and acquisitions, reorganizations, and shareholder disputes, business succession planning, buy-sell agreements and drafting of supplier and representatives agreements. Mr. Cnudde also has represented companies on corporate finance and capital acquisition matters, including private equity investments, recapitalizations, bank financing, and private placement issuance.

Mr. Cnudde has significant experience with federal, state, and local tax planning, Michigan property tax appeals, and nonprofit/tax-exempt formation and governance matters. This includes tax-free reorganizations of businesses, partnership formation and tax planning regarding adding partners and partner distributions, state tax planning regarding sales, use and business taxes, and formation of non-profit corporations and

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assistance with obtaining and maintaining tax exempt status from the IRS. Over the last decade he has developed a specialty with Michigan state tax planning and appeals, including representing numerous commercial and industrial property owners through successful Michigan property tax appeals. Mr. Cnudde has authored several articles and served as a seminar lecturer on various tax planning and tax appeal issues.

Mr. Cnudde is a graduate of Michigan State University – Detroit College of Law (J.D. *cum laude*, 2003), with a concentration and Certification in Taxation Law. Mr. Cnudde received his Bachelor of Arts in Accounting from the Michigan State University's Eli Broad School of Business (1999). He received certification from the National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA) in 2006.

Prior to joining Butzel Long, Mr. Cnudde worked for the Revenue Division of the Michigan Attorney General's Office and represented the State of Michigan in state tax litigation. He also worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers's state and local tax practice.

Mr. Cnudde is a member of the Detroit chapter of the Association of Corporate Growth (ACG), the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, and the Detroit Economic Club. He is a member of the State Bar of Michigan's Corporate, Taxation, and Real Estate sections and is a member of the American Bar Association Taxation Section. Mr. Cnudde serves on the State Bar's Unincorporated Enterprises Committee. He is a Board of Director and Secretary for the Marinelife Aquarium Society of Michigan and a Board of Director for the Lakeshore Bar Association.

### **Roxana Gale**

Ms. Gale is based in Butzel Long's Bloomfield Hills office. She is a graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*), where she was a member of the school's Law Review (2007-2009), a member of the Board of Directors for Moot Court (2007-2008), a member of the Dean's Honor Society (2007-2009), and a member of the Frank Murphy Honor Society. She was a quarterfinalist in the 2007 G. Mennen Williams Moot Court Competition, the winner of the 2007 Advanced Advocacy Internal Moot Court Competition, and a regional semifinalist at the 2008 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.

Ms. Gale also was a Pupil at the American Inns of Court (2008-2009), and she received the Eugene Gargaro and Dean's Scholarship (2007-2008), which is awarded to students with excellent academic credentials. She is a graduate of Oakland University (B.A., *cum laude*) and received the Michigan Competitive Scholarship and Michigan Merit Award.

Prior to joining Butzel Long, Ms. Gale worked as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney at the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office, where she prosecuted criminal cases in district court and tried jury and bench trials. She also was an intern at the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, where she conducted legal research and assisted prosecutors during the pre-trial and trial stages.

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Ms. Gale is admitted to practice in Michigan State Courts and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. She is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, the Federal Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

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Established in 1854, Butzel Long is a leading law firm with offices in Detroit, Bloomfield Hills, Lansing and Ann Arbor, Michigan, New York City, and Washington, D.C., as well as Alliance offices in Beijing, Shanghai, Mexico City and Monterrey. The firm is also a member of the Washington D.C. law firm, Butzel Long Tighe Patton. Butzel Long represents clients from diverse industries on regional, national, and multi-national levels and is a member of Lex Mundi, a global association of 160 independent law firms. Visit the Butzel Long website at [www.butzel.com](http://www.butzel.com).

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