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Butzel Long attorney Beth S. Gotthelf co-chairs Jewish Vocational Services' Strictly Business event on June 15, 2010

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich. – **Butzel Long** attorney and shareholder **Beth S. Gotthelf** is a committee co-chair of the Jewish Vocational Services' (JVS) 13th Annual *Strictly Business* Networking & Awards Luncheon on June 15, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency, Dearborn.

The *Strictly Business* event is the major fundraiser for JVS bringing together approximately 750 business leaders. This year's honorary chair and keynote speaker is Peter Karmanos, Jr. Earl Ishbia and Alex Karp, founders of Sherwood Food Distributors, will receive the JVS Business Leadership Award. Sherwood Food Distributors was founded in 1969 and is one of the largest independent distributors in the meat and food industry.

Ms. Gotthelf also serves on the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees for Jewish Vocational Services, a nonprofit human service organization. Since 1941, JVS has provided specialized services to help people meet the changing needs in the community. Last year alone, JVS helped more than 12,500 people overcome obstacles and become self sufficient and realize their life's potential. Each day, individuals with disabilities, seniors, young adults, and people in need of employment or a new career direction turn to JVS for guidance and support.

Based in Butzel Long's Bloomfield Hills office, Ms. Gotthelf heads up the environmental, energy and land use practice. She represents and counsels a diverse mix of clients in numerous matters throughout the country. These matters include OSHA issues along with alternative energy, start ups, environmental compliance and permitting responding to an emergency military contracting, siting new facilities state and federal civil and criminal enforcement compliance audits brownfields tax incentives (obtaining, selling, purchasing) remediation of contaminated sites Planned Unit Developments (PUDs) insurance claims administrative procedures solid and hazardous waste landfills composting occupational safety and health transportation and land use. Ms. Gotthelf is president of the Great Lakes Guardian for water protection, general counsel to the Michigan Association of Metal Finishers, Chair of the Birmingham Brownfield Authority, and former general counsel to the Wayne County Brownfield Authority.

She has been very active in the State Bar of Michigan, Environmental Law Section, including serving as past Chair of the Section. She is Co Chair of the American Bar Association ("ABA") Section of Natural Resources, Energy and Environmental Law, Teleconference Committee, vice Chair of an upcoming Water Conference, and Vice Chair of the Water Quality and Wetlands Committee.

Ms. Gotthelf is past Chair of the Environmental Law Committee of the Oakland County Bar Association and is a past member of the State Bar Representative Assembly on behalf of Oakland County. Ms. Gotthelf has authored numerous articles. She serves on the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce Leadership Committee for Transportation, and is past Chair of the Chamber's Task Force on Water and Sewer Issues. She is a Fellow of the Michigan State Bar Foundation and a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America.

Ms. Gotthelf is Chair of the City of Birmingham (Michigan) Brownfield Authority. She also is past Co-Chair of the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) Legislative Action Committee. She was on the Federal Advisory Committee charged with recommending stormwater rules and served as a Director of the Detroit Area Commercial Board of Realtors, which covers the State of Michigan. She serves as an arbitrator for the National Arbitration Forum.

Her charitable activities include serving as past President of the Board of Trustees for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Michigan Chapter Chair of the Board of Trustees of Oakland Plus Foundation member of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit, State Government Relations Oversight Committee former member of the Board of Directors for the University Cancer Foundation and member of the Seymour Gill Financial Women's Advisory Board.

Ms. Gotthelf is listed as one of the "Top 100 Michigan Super Lawyers" by *Michigan Super Lawyers* (2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009) and as one of the "Top 50 Female Michigan Super Lawyers" (2006, 2008 and 2009). She has received a number of awards and special recognitions, including as an emerging leader by the Detroit Regional Chamber (2003) the National Association of Metal Finishers (2002) *Corp! Magazine* as one of "Michigan's 95 Most Powerful Women" (2002) *Corp! Magazine's* "Top 10 Business Attorneys for Southeast Michigan" (1999) and *Crain's Detroit Business'* 40 emerging leaders under age 40 ("40 Under 40") (1994). Ms. Gotthelf has authored articles of national interest for the ABA on Proposed Wastewater Regulations and Underground Storage Tanks.

Ms. Gotthelf is a graduate of the University of Detroit (J.D., 1985) and Oakland University (B.S. Public Administration and Public Policy, 1980). In 2009, Ms. Gotthelf received an Oakland University Distinguished Alumni Award. Ms. Gotthelf is a resident of Birmingham.

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