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Butzel Long attorney Bushra Malik elected Chair of the Michigan Chapter of AILA

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DETROIT, Mich. – Butzel Long attorney and shareholder, Bushra Malik, has been elected Chair of the Michigan Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), the national association of more than 15,000 attorneys and law professors who practice and teach immigration law.

Malik has served on the Executive Committee for the Michigan Chapter of AILA as the Vice Chair, and previously served on the Executive Committee for the Michigan Chapter of AILA as the Treasurer and the Secretary.

Malik practices in the area of immigration law, focusing on the representation of multinational and domestic clients' inbound and global migration needs. Her experience includes Employment based (Extraordinary Ability, Outstanding Researcher, Multinational Manager, and PERMs) and Family based Permanent Residence Petitions, Non-Immigrant Petitions (H-1B/Specialty Occupation, J-1/ Exchange Visitor, L-1/ Intracompany Transfers, O-1/Extraordinary Ability, TN/ NAFTA); Employer Compliance (I-9 Audits and H-1B Public Access File Audits); J-1 waivers; Compliance under the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI); U.S. Passports; complex naturalization matters; and currency seizures.

She has extensive experience in securing work and residence permits for numerous countries around the globe, including: China, India, Canada, Japan, Australia, the United Kingdom, Germany, Russia, Malaysia, Hungary, Poland, Italy, and Belgium. Malik routinely represents clients at the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services District Office, U.S. Embassies and Consulates abroad, and various Foreign Embassies and Consulates.

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Prior to joining Butzel Long, Malik was a Vice Consul for the United States Foreign Service, Department of State in Seoul, South Korea. She also worked with the Executive Office of Immigration Review at the Chicago Immigration Court and had externships with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in New Delhi, India, and the legacy Immigration and Naturalization Service, Office of the General Counsel in Washington, DC.

Malik is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, the American Bar Association, the South Asian Bar Association, the Michigan Muslim Bar Association, and the Japanese Business Society of Detroit.

She is currently serving as the Vice Chair AILA's Global Migration Section (GMS). Malik previously served on the AILA Department of State National Liaison Committee; AILA Customs and Border Protection National Liaison Committee; was the Program Chair of the 2015 AILA Global Immigration Forum; and has presented at numerous AILA National, AILA GMS and AILA Rome District conferences. She also previously served as the Chair of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service Liaison Committee for the Michigan Chapter of AILA. Malik speaks Hindi, Japanese and Urdu.

Malik is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School (J.D., 1998) and Michigan State University's James Madison College (B.A. in International Relations with High Honors, 1996 and an additional major in Japanese and Certificate of Asian Studies). She is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Immigration Law) and was named one of *DBusiness* magazine's Top Lawyers in the field of immigration law.