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## Butzel Long attorney Daniel B. Tukel to receive Thomas M. Cooley Law Review 2011 Distinguished Supreme Court Brief Award

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Daniel B. Tukel**, attorney, shareholder and Chair of **Butzel Long** law firm's Labor and Employment Law Department, is a winner of the Thomas M. Cooley Law Review 2011 Distinguished Supreme Court Brief Award to be presented during an awards banquet on June 22, 2011 in Lansing.

The Distinguished Brief Award is given in recognition of the most scholarly briefs filed before the Michigan Supreme Court as determined by a panel of jurists.

The brief for which Mr. Tukel was honored, addressed the issue of the proper venue for a discrimination claim alleging violation of the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act. "I am honored to be a recipient of this prestigious award," said Mr. Tukel. "A well-written legal brief is always an extremely important component of litigation, both at the appellate and the trial court level, so receiving this award is particularly meaningful."

Based in Butzel Long's Detroit office, Mr. Tukel's practice is devoted to representing both public and private employers in state and federal discrimination and wrongful discharge litigation, as well as traditional labor matters such as collective bargaining and union organizational drives. He regularly counsels employers in all aspects of labor and employment law, in statutory compliance and in creating, implementing and administering employee handbooks and other personnel policies and practices.

Mr. Tukel has represented employers before state and federal trial and appellate courts, and various administrative agencies including: the National Labor Relations Board National Mediation Board Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Occupational Safety and Health Administration Michigan Department of Civil Rights Michigan Department of Labor

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Mr. Tukul has published a number of scholarly articles on various aspects of labor and employment law. Moreover, Mr. Tukul has lectured on a wide range of employment and labor issues, has served on the faculty of the Institute of Continuing Legal Education, and has served as a private arbitrator and private facilitator in employment matters.

Mr. Tukul is a Fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. He is listed in Chambers USA for Labor and Employment Law, in Best Lawyers in America for Labor and Employment Law, and is named a Michigan Super Lawyer for employment litigation defense. Mr. Tukul is a member of the National Association of College and University Attorneys, the American Employment Law Council, the Michigan Council of School Attorneys, the American Bar Association (Labor and Employment, and Litigation sections), the State Bar of Michigan (Labor and Employment, and Litigation sections), the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, the Oakland County Bar Association, and is a Fellow of the State Bar of Michigan Foundation.

Mr. Tukul is an honors graduate of the University of Michigan Law School (J.D., cum laude, 1982), and also received his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan (A.B. with high honors and high distinction, 1979).

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