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## Butzel Long attorney Debra Geroux named a Co-Chair of the firm's Healthcare Industry Group

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DETROIT, Mich. – Butzel Long attorney and shareholder Debra Geroux has been named one of three co-chairs for the firm's Healthcare Industry Group. She joins Robert H. Schwartz and Mark Lezotte in this leadership role.

Geroux's healthcare practice focuses on health care regulatory compliance and reporting, including data privacy and breach response, as well as healthcare-related civil, criminal, and administrative litigation.

She holds the Certified in Healthcare Privacy Compliance (CHPC) and Certified in Healthcare Compliance (CHC) designations from the Compliance and Certification Board. Her representative clients include individual practitioners and group practices, community mental health authorities, FQHC's, home health agencies, pharmacies and pharmaceutical manufactures, ambulatory surgery centers, hospitals, and DMEPOS providers.

"Deb is an innovator and thought leader who has evolved and adapted her practice to meet ongoing changes in healthcare," said Robert H. Schwartz, Butzel Long Healthcare Industry Group co-chair. "She sought out and achieved important healthcare certifications that sets her and our firm apart as an industry leader."

Geroux also serves on the firm's Cybersecurity and Privacy Specialty Team, Government & Internal Investigations Team and Litigation and Dispute Resolution.

She is a graduate of Michigan State University College of Law, (J.D., *cum laude*, 1995), where she was a member and managing editor of the Law Review. She received her Bachelor of Science from Michigan State University in 1988.

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Geroux is a member of the State Bar of Michigan (including the Health Law Section), the American Bar Association (including the Health Law and Litigation Sections), the Federal Bar Association, the Oakland County Bar Association, and the Health Care Compliance Association. She also assisted with numerous pro bono projects for Community Legal Services (n/k/a Michigan Community Resources), which resulted in the publication of various white papers.

She also is actively involved within her community, both professionally and personally. Currently, she serves on the Board of Directors for Honor Community Health, an FQHC serving Oakland County, Michigan, and as the Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Historical Society for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Geroux also has served as an Adjunct Professor of Healthcare & Insurance Law in the Paralegal Program at Baker College of Auburn Hills. She also maintains an active role within a number of community organizations, including the CW3 Jaguars FC, where she recently serves as a team manager. She also was active on the Michigan State University College of Law Alumni Association Board, where she served in numerous leadership roles, including serving as its President.

