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## Butzel Long attorney Jennifer Dukarski appointed Co-Chair of ABA Forum's Diversity Committee

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. – Jennifer Dukarski, Butzel Long attorney, shareholder and leader of the firm's connected car working group, has been appointed Co-Chair of the American Bar Association's (ABA) Forum on Communications Law Diversity Committee.

The Committee recognizes the need to include all racial and ethnic groups in the practice of communications law and encourages communication company law firms to make efforts to recruit, retain and promote lawyers of color. The Committee offers assistance to firms to provide the necessary mentoring to minority lawyers for them to be active in the practice.

Most recently, Dukarski served a three-year term as Co-Chair of the Women in Communication Law Committee of the ABA Forum on Communications Law.

"The Forum on Communication Law has dedicated 2020-2021 as the Year of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion," Dukarski said. "Our leadership is passionate about the work of promoting diversity and inclusion. We're working on strengthening our current programming, including the First Amendment and Media Law Diversity Moot Court Competition and working on new opportunities to advance these goals in the Media Bar. I'm deeply honored to be a part of this team at this important time."

Dukarski focuses her practice at the intersection of technology and communications with an emphasis on emerging and disruptive issues: digital media and content, cybersecurity and privacy, infotainment and shared mobility, and connected and autonomous cars.

In her practice, she has assisted clients with defamation, invasion of privacy, copyright, and other content-based claims. She focuses on compliance with various industry regulations

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and has become a national leader in legal issues facing emerging automotive technology and is the leader of Butzel Long's connected car working group.

A self-titled "recovering engineer," Dukarski was named one of the 30 Women Defining the Future of Technology in January 2020 by Warner Communications for her innovative thoughts and contributions to the tech industry.

Dukarski is a graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2010). She's also a graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy College of Engineering and Science, (B.S., Mechanical Engineering, *summa cum laude*, 1996).

