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Butzel Long attorney Kurtis T. Wilder elected Chair of the Interlochen Center for the Arts Board of Trustees

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DETROIT, Mich. – Butzel Long attorney Kurtis T. Wilder has been elected Chair of the Interlochen Center for the Arts Board of Trustees. Previously, he served as First Vice-Chair and Chair-Elect.

Interlochen was founded in 1928 and is located in northwest lower Michigan. Each year, thousands of artists and arts patrons come to Interlochen to experience world-class educational and cultural opportunities. Students study music, theatre, visual arts, film, creative writing and dance, guided by faculty and guest artists.

"It is a highlight to serve Interlochen in this leadership role," said Kurtis T. Wilder. "Interlochen offers immense enrichment opportunities for students to discover new interests and talents.

"Interlochen brings students together from across the globe for the summer Arts Camp and the Arts Academy for an unmatched educational experience that will forever change their lives," he added. "Importantly, students of any age also can participate in the Interlochen College of Creative Arts, which offers diverse continuing education opportunities."

Former Michigan Supreme Court Justice Wilder is a shareholder with Butzel Long. He concentrates his practice in litigation, appeals, and mediation and facilitation. Justice Wilder served on the Michigan Supreme Court following his appointment by Governor Rick Snyder on May 9, 2017. Prior to that time, Justice Wilder served as a judge on the Michigan Court of Appeals from December 1998 to May 2017 and a judge of the Washtenaw County Trial Court from March 1992 to December 1998.

Justice Wilder, the 112th Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, graduated from the University of Michigan with an A.B. degree in Political Science in 1981, and from the University of Michigan Law

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School with a Juris Doctor degree in 1984.

Earlier this year, Justice Wilder was named to Michigan Lawyers Weekly's Hall of Fame Class of 2021.

In 2020, Justice Wilder was elected Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Justice Wilder also serves on the Boards of the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Detroit Regional Dollars for Scholars, and The Children's Foundation.

Moreover, Justice Wilder is an Elder and Chancel Choir member at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, and has memberships in the Fellows of the Michigan State Bar Foundation, the Federalist Society, Board of Advisors, Lawyers Division-Michigan Chapter, and the Wolverine Bar Association.

He is a Past President of the Michigan Judges Association, and Past Chairman of the State Bar of Michigan Judicial Conference.

