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## Butzel Long attorney Reginald A. Pacis featured during Detroit Immigration Forum on April 25

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel Long** attorney and shareholder **Reginald A. Pacis** is one of six speakers that will discuss immigration issues and identify opportunities for change during the Detroit Immigration Forum on Thursday, April 25, 2013 at the International Institute of Metro Detroit.

Based in Butzel Long's Detroit office, Mr. Pacis concentrates his practice in immigration law and has handled a variety of immigration matters including H-1B specialty occupation cases, L-1 Intracompany transfers, Labor Certification matters, Immigrant Visa Petitions/ Adjustment of Status applications and interviews, TN Free trade cases, H-1B Department of Labor Investigations, I-9 employer verification compliance, and U.S. Port of Entry airport and land port interviews.

Mr. Pacis was named Immigration Lawyer of the Year 2013 in the field of Immigration Law by *The Best Lawyers in America* and has been listed in *Best Lawyers* for several years. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), and the Samahang Pilipino Ng Oakland Filipino organization. He served two consecutive terms from 2003 to 2004 and 2004 to 2005 as Chairperson of the Michigan Chapter of AILA and was a member of the AILA National Board of Governors for those terms. He previously served as Secretary (2001 to 2003) and Membership Chairperson of the Michigan Chapter of AILA (1998 to 2003).

He has been a speaker on immigration topics at many business, Hispanic, and Filipino presentations. Mr. Pacis has served in a variety of committees in the Filipino community and is a member of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce of Michigan. He completed an appointment by former Governor Granholm for service on the Advisory Committee for Asian

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Pacific American Affairs (ACAPAA). He served on the Michigan AILA Advocacy Committee from 2007 to 2010.

Mr. Pacis previously served as Chairperson of the Michigan AILA Committee responsible for liaison with the Michigan Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") Agency, a division of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security presiding over inspections and security of the U.S. border, from 2005 to 2007. His service expanded to the AILA National CBP liaison Committee as a member and Vice Chair and Chair. He presently serves as Vice Chair on the AILA United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Field Operations Liaison Committee.

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