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Butzel Long attorney Reginald A. Pacis to testify on June 18 during open session at the Michigan Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights public meeting

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel Long** attorney and shareholder **Reginald A. Pacis** has been invited to testify on June 18, 2010 during the open session at the Michigan Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights public meeting examining the proposed immigration bill similar to the recently enacted Arizona bill.

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 has been an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association's (AILA) for many years. He serves as Vice Chair of AILA's National Customs Border Protection Liaison Committee. 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).

Mr. Pacis has served as a member of the AILA National liaison committee dealing with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, a division of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security presiding over inspections and security of the U.S. border. He previously served as Chairperson of the Michigan AILA Committee and as a liaison with the Michigan Customs and Border Protection

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Mr. Pacis is a member of the American Bar Association and the Samahang Pilipino Ng Oakland Filipino organization.

Mr. Pacis has been a speaker on immigration topics at numerous business, Hispanic, and Filipino programs. He has served on a variety of committees in the Filipino community. He also completed a two-year term appointed by Governor Granholm to serve on the Advisory Committee for Asian Pacific American Affairs (ACAPAA). Mr. Pacis is a member of the Board of Directors of the International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit.

Mr. Pacis received his J.D. from the Detroit College of Law at Michigan State University in 1996 and his B.A. from James Madison College at Michigan State University in 1992. He joined the State Bar of Michigan in 1997.

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