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Butzel Long attorney Robert P. Perry featured at National Business Institute Estate Planning Program on February 17, 2009

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich. – **Butzel Long** attorney and shareholder **Robert P. Perry** will be a featured speaker at a National Business Institute program titled, "Top 10 Estate Planning Techniques," on February 17, 2009 in Southfield. Mr. Perry will discuss "Qualified Personal Residence Trusts and Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts (GRAT)s."

Mr. Perry has extensive experience in many facets of estate and business succession planning and sophisticated business succession and estate leveraging tools including the preparation and implementation of buy-sell agreements, irrevocable life insurance trusts, charitable remainder and lead trusts, generation-skipping and "dynasty" trusts, personal residence trusts, grantor retained annuity trusts, split dollar insurance planning, family limited partnerships and limited liability companies and planning for distributions from qualified plans and individual retirement accounts.

He also has substantial experience in miscellaneous probate and trust issuance, tax compliance and estate tax audit and internal revenue service litigation matters.

Mr. Perry is actively involved with the Oakland County Financial and Estate Planning Council, the Probate Estate and Trust Committee of the Oakland County Bar Association, the Probate and Estate Planning Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the Trust and Estate Section of the Collier County Bar Association.

He is a frequent lecturer on various estate planning topics, including estate planning for qualified plan assets and individual retirement accounts and using charitable planning techniques for qualified plan assets. Mr. Perry also has published articles on estate planning and tax topics.

Mr. Perry earned his BA degree from the University of Michigan in 1985, his JD degree from the University of Michigan Law School in 1988, and an LL.M. in Taxation from Wayne State University in 1997. Mr. Perry is licensed both in Michigan and Florida.

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