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Butzel Long attorney Thomas L. Shaevsky appointed Chair, Employee Benefits Committee, Taxation Section, State Bar of Michigan

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich. – Butzel Long senior attorney **Thomas L. Shaevsky** was recently appointed Chair, Employee Benefits Committee, Taxation Section, State Bar of Michigan.

Based in the firm's Bloomfield Hills office, Mr. Shaevsky practices in the area of employee benefits. He advises profit and nonprofit employers, as well as individuals, on compliance and planning issues pertaining to a wide range of retirement and welfare plan issues. His experience includes counseling on fiduciary duty compliance, prohibited transaction avoidance and correction, reporting and disclosure issues, mergers and acquisitions due diligence, QDROs, as well as COBRA, HIPAA, and other benefits issues. Mr. Shaevsky represents clients undergoing IRS and U.S. Department of Labor audits.

Prior to joining Butzel Long, Mr. Shaevsky served as in-house counsel to Comerica Bank's Institutional Trust Department, counseling and advising business owners and managers with regard to retirement plan issues and general compliance issues. He has assisted with the formulation of a multitude of business decisions and policies.

Mr. Shaevsky also has experience counseling public entities on Open Meetings Act, Freedom of Information Act, and conflict of interest issues.

Mr. Shaevsky also is Chair of the Employee Benefits Committee of the Oakland County Bar Association. He is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Employee Benefits Conference (2008-2009). He served as a member of the West Bloomfield Township Wetland Review Board (2007-2009). Mr. Shaevsky also is a member of the American Bar Association (taxation section).

Mr. Shaevsky is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School (J.D., 1992, magna cum laude, The Order of the Coif Michigan Law Review: Contributing Editor), and the University of Michigan (B.A., with high distinction, Angell Scholar, 1989). Immediately following law school graduation, Mr. Shaevsky served as a law clerk to the Honorable John Feikens of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

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