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## Butzel Long attorneys elected Shareholders

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DETROIT, Mich. – The law firm of **Butzel Long** has elected the following attorneys as shareholders: **Sean H. Cook, Geoffrey S. Gallinger, Amy L. Glenn, Kathleen (Kate) Raven Gurrola, Paula A. Hall, Susan L. Johnson, Thomas A. Kabel, Thomas D. Noonan, Deborah J. (Bea) Swedlow** and **E. Dale Wilson**. Previously, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gallinger, Ms. Glenn, and Ms. Johnson were senior attorneys. Ms. Gurrola, Ms. Hall, Mr. Kabel, Mr. Noonan, Ms. Swedlow and Mr. Wilson were associate attorneys.

**Sean H. Cook's** diverse practice includes general corporate law and complex tax matters which covers: shareholder and owner issues, choice of entity analysis and formation and dissolution transactions commercial law covering contract review and UCC issues mergers and acquisitions succession planning needs, including all forms of real estate transactions and developments, acquisitions, leasing, financing and condominiums. He also has extensive experience in mergers and acquisitions, partnerships and joint ventures, shareholder matters and general business transactions. His practice also includes labor and employment law (management) in both union and non-union settings, human resource administration training and counseling.

Mr. Cook graduated from Wayne State University Law School (J.D., 1995), Walsh College (M.S., Taxation, 1989) and University of Michigan (B.A., 1987). Mr. Cook is a resident of West Bloomfield.

**Geoffrey S. Gallinger's** practice includes counseling clients regarding general business and corporate planning needs, including all forms of real estate transactions and developments, acquisitions, leasing, financing and condominiums. He also has extensive experience in mergers and acquisitions, partnerships and joint ventures, shareholder matters and general business transactions. His practice also includes labor and employment law (management) in both union and non-union settings, human resource administration training and counseling.

Mr. Gallinger graduated from Michigan State University (DCL) College of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1987) and Michigan State University (B.A., Business Administration/Pre-Law, 1984). Mr. Gallinger is a resident of Birmingham.

**Amy L. Glenn** concentrates her practice in the areas of business law, closely held businesses, succession planning and estate planning. She has served as General Counsel for a closely held middle market company and has more than 12 years of experience in the private practice of law. She has extensive experience in a wide variety of business transactions and commercial matters including contract work and distribution issues, marketing matters, mergers and acquisitions, and other related matters. She has a broad background advising clients regarding various estate planning matters.

Ms. Glenn is a graduate of Wayne State University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1985), Walsh College (M.S. in Professional Accountancy, *magna cum laude*, 1996) and the College of Wooster (B.A., Phi Beta Kappa, 1982). Ms. Glenn is a resident of Novi.

**Kathleen (Kate) Raven Gurrola** practices in the area of real property law and complex business transactions. Prior to joining Butzel Long, Ms. Gurrola represented corporate clients in a variety of corporate and real estate matters as an associate in the Chicago office of Latham & Watkins, LLP. She also interned in the legal department of Johnson Controls, Inc. Ms. Gurrola has experience in both corporate and real estate transactions. She has represented commercial lenders and property owners in various aspects of financing, acquisition, disposition, leasing, and development of real property. She also has represented both certified development companies and banks in connection with Small Business Administration 504 loans.

Ms. Gurrola graduated from the University of Michigan Law School (J.D., *cum laude*, 1999) and James Madison College at Michigan State University (B.A., 1994). Ms. Gurrola is a resident of Farmington Hills.

**Paula A. Hall's** primary area of practice is commercial restructuring and business bankruptcy with experience in collection matters out-of-court restructurings and representation of secured creditors, debtors, unsecured creditors and formal and informal creditors' committees in a wide range of industries including automotive and retail. She has broad experience with troubled supplier and collections matters.

Ms. Hall is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School (J.D., 1999), and the University of Michigan (A.B., with high honors, 1996). Ms. Hall is a resident of Bloomfield Hills.

**Susan L. Johnson** is recognized as a leading environmental attorney in Michigan. Her principal areas of practice include all aspects of environmental law with an emphasis on environmental and regulatory compliance the siting and permitting of solid and hazardous waste landfills and treatment facilities, scrap and other recycling facilities environmental due diligence, as well as municipal and environmental contracting.

Ms. Johnson is a graduate of Wayne State University Law School (J.D., 1984) and the University of Michigan (B.A., 1980). She also completed the NITA Trial Advocacy Course (1987), Sanitary Landfill Design Course (1990) and the Groundwater Chemistry Course Certificate (1991) from the Engineering Society of Detroit and the ISO 14000 Lead EMS Auditor Course, British Standards Institute (1997). Ms. Johnson is a resident of Northville.

**Thomas A. Kabel** practices in the area of real estate development and real property law. Prior to joining Butzel Long, Mr. Kabel represented corporate clients in various corporate real estate and

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commercial leasing matters as an associate in a leading Bloomfield Hills law firm. Mr. Kabel has substantial experience in the negotiation of a wide variety of commercial leases and subleases, including mixed-use, retail, residential, office, single tenant, and ground leases. He has also been involved in various facets of acquisition, disposition, leasing and development of real property, and brings significant experience to commercial redevelopment and reuse projects.

Mr. Kabel is a graduate of Wayne State University Law School (J.D., *cum laude*, 1999), where he was Senior Articles Editor of the Wayne Law Review, and Grand Valley State University (B.S. 1995). Mr. Kabel is a resident of Rochester Hills.

**Thomas D. Noonan's** practice includes bankruptcy and creditors' rights, business and commercial litigation, construction law, and employment law and litigation. His experience includes complex business disputes, commercial claims, personal injury and product liability.

Mr. Noonan received his J.D. from the Northwestern School of Law and is a 1994 graduate of the University of Michigan. Mr. Noonan is a resident of Farmington Hills.

**Deborah J. (Bea) Swedlow** represents corporate and individual clients in intellectual property and commercial litigation, with significant expertise in patent, copyright and trademark litigation. She also has practiced in the areas of media law, business litigation, employment and white collar criminal defense. Her industry experience includes counseling clients in the automotive, media and entertainment, and pharmaceutical industries.

Prior to joining Butzel Long, Ms. Swedlow was an associate with the firm Foley Hoag LLP in Boston, MA. She was appointed as a Special Prosecutor for the Norfolk County District Attorney's Office in Quincy, Massachusetts, where she prosecuted and tried a variety of criminal cases in state district court.

Ms. Swedlow is a graduate of Northeastern University School of Law (J.D., 1999), Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research (M. L.S.P. 1996 and M.S.S. 1995) and Bryn Mawr College (A.B. 1992). Ms. Swedlow is a resident of Ann Arbor.

**E. Dale Wilson** concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial lending, real estate and transactions and commercial law and transactions. He is a graduate of University of Detroit School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1999) and Yale University (B.A., 1993). Mr. Wilson is a resident of Bloomfield Hills.

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