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Butzel Long receives international award

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel Long** was honored recently during the Lex Mundi Leadership Summit and Annual Meeting in Amsterdam for its participation in a transaction that received an award in the category of "Best Multijurisdictional Client Matter for 2012."

Butzel Long, a member of Lex Mundi, a global association of 160 independent law firms, was the *only* U.S.-based law firm to work on a project receiving such an award for 2012.

The transaction, in the automotive climate control business, involved a company's acquisition of the shares of overseas subsidiaries based in 13 separate jurisdictions.

The client needed help with local due diligence, advice on transaction structure and related legal issues involving labor and employment, pension and real estate transactions as well as general contract law issues and required assistance and advice on formalities for implementation of the transaction in each jurisdiction, contract documents and closing the transaction in each jurisdiction.

Butzel Long worked on the project with other Lex Mundi member firms located in South Korea, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Japan, Mexico the Netherlands and Portugal to obtain the legal information and services needed to successfully complete the transaction.

"This recognition is an excellent example of the multi-national collaboration capability of Lex Mundi firms," said **Justin G. Klimko**, President and Managing Shareholder, Butzel Long. "We have a unique opportunity to cooperate with top tier firms in jurisdictions across the globe when the need arises. With the accelerating internationalization of business operations and transactions, we are able to present our clients with seamless

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"There is one exclusive Lex Mundi member per country internationally a well as one in each U.S state and Canadian province," he added. "Lex Mundi has 160 member firms located in 120 countries."

About Butzel Long

Established in 1854, Butzel Long is a leading law firm with offices in Detroit, Bloomfield Hills, Lansing and Ann Arbor, Michigan, New York City, and Washington, D.C., as well as Alliance offices in Beijing, Shanghai, Mexico City and Monterrey. The firm is also a member of the Washington D.C. law firm, Butzel Long Tighe Patton. Butzel Long represents clients from diverse industries on regional, national, and multi-national levels and is a member of Lex Mundi, a global association of 160 independent law firms. Visit the Butzel Long website at www.butzel.com.

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