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Butzel Long recognized in the 2010 State Bar of Michigan Circle of Excellence for outstanding pro bono legal services to the poor

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel Long** is recognized in the 2010 State Bar of Michigan *Circle of Excellence* listing for outstanding pro bono legal services to the poor during calendar year 2009. The Circle of Excellence listing was recently published in the *Michigan Bar Journal*. Eligibility for inclusion in the *Circle of Excellence* consists of:

- Legal services (as opposed to general community service)
- Provided for free
- To low-income individuals or to organizations providing direct services to low-income individuals.

Law firms included in the *Circle of Excellence* have proven a stellar level of participation by all attorneys staffed by the firms in the calendar year 2009.

On average, each attorney has contributed at least 30 hours of counsel or representation to low-income individuals and families or to organizations that provide legal services.

Throughout its more than 150 years, Butzel Long has a long and distinguished history of public service, particularly assisting clients who could otherwise not afford legal representation. Providing quality pro bono legal services is a priority for Butzel Long. The firm's lawyers, from the newest associate to members of the Board of Directors, use their expertise and training to make a difference each year, providing thousands of hours to those in need through a wide range of programs and relationships.

About Butzel Long

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