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Commercial real estate and general business law attorney Geaneen M. Arends joins Butzel Long law firm

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Geaneen M. Arends** has joined **Butzel Long** law firm as a senior attorney based in the firm's Detroit office. Ms. Arends concentrates her practice on commercial real estate and general business law.

"Geaneen is a high-caliber attorney with a strong background in commercial real estate and general business law," said **Justin G. Klimko**, President, Butzel Long. "She is an excellent addition to the firm."

Ms. Arends has advised corporate clients on a variety of real estate transactions, including development agreements, purchase and sale transactions, and office, light industrial and retail leases throughout the United States. She has represented both borrowers and lenders in multi-million dollar real estate financing transactions. She also assists clients with general business planning and insurance and risk management issues.

Prior to joining Butzel Long, Ms. Arends was in-house counsel for a real estate investment and property management firm and previously practiced in the real estate groups of two prominent Detroit law firms.

Ms. Arends is a graduate of Michigan State University (B.A., History, 1994) and of Boston College Law School (J.D., 1998). She is admitted to the State Bar of Michigan and the United States District Court of the Eastern District of Michigan.

Ms. Arends serves on the Board of Directors for Michigan Community Resources (formerly known as Community Legal Resources), an organization that provides free legal services and technical assistance to nonprofit organizations revitalizing and bringing economic development to underserved communities in Detroit and throughout Michigan. Ms. Arends is an alumna of Leadership Detroit, Class XXVII. She also belongs to the Royal Oak Woman's Club, the Royal Oak Historical Society, and the Royal Oak Nature Society.

About Butzel Long

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