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Former state prosecutor joins Butzel Long

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich. Theodore R. Eppel (T.R.) has joined Butzel Long as a shareholder practicing in the firm's Bloomfield Hills office. Eppel is a former state prosecutor with nearly 20 years of experience in criminal and civil litigation.

Eppel has defended various high-profile federal and state white-collar criminal cases, involving business offenses, health care fraud, public corruption, regulatory offenses, criminal antitrust matters, tax offenses, securities-related offenses and alleged violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

He also represents clients in criminal appeals, civil RICO cases and complex civil litigation and he has conducted numerous internal investigations for corporate clients of all sizes.

Upon earning his law degree, Eppel practiced federal and state litigation in Chicago with the law firm of Seyfarth Shaw.

He then became an Assistant State's Attorney for Cook County and later participated in drafting Illinois criminal legislation as a Staff Attorney for the Illinois Rewrite and Reform Commission. That position culminated in his service as co-author of the Final Report of the Illinois Criminal Code Rewrite and Reform Commission (2003).

After leaving the State's Attorney's office, Eppel practiced white collar criminal defense and civil litigation at Monico & Spevack and Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP.

Eppel is a graduate of Indiana University (J.D., 1997, *cum laude*) and the University of Michigan (B.A., 1993, *with honors*). He is licensed to practice in Michigan and Illinois.

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