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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel Long** senior attorney **Jack D. Shumate** is one of 23 attorneys from across the United States and the only Michigan lawyer who have founded the American College of Environmental Lawyers. The College will recognize the achievements of outstanding environmental attorneys and focus their efforts to enhance the practice of environmental law. The founders of the College are all environmental attorneys who are listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Based in Butzel Long's Bloomfield Hills office, Mr. Shumate specializes in environmental, natural resources, insurance coverage matters and appellate law. Mr. Shumate is the firm's Senior Environmental attorney. He has been engaged in all aspects of environmental law since 1975. Currently, his environmental practice is focused on investigation and cleanup of Superfund sites throughout the country, pre-acquisition property investigations, environmental aspects of major real estate and corporate transactions, Brownfield redevelopment and environmental litigation.

Mr. Shumate has a broad background in real estate and corporate transactions and related litigation and legislative relations. Prior to joining Butzel Long, he worked in the Corporate Legal Department of Consumers Power Company. His duties in that position included licensing, investigation, and closure and re-use of the Company's coal ash landfills, including resolving heavy metals issues. He has represented subsidiaries engaged in exploration and development of oil, natural gas, and uranium. He also has served as a legal and legislative advisor to the Governor of Ohio.

Mr. Shumate is an active member, and past Chairperson, of the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan. He is a frequent author and lecturer on real estate and environmental topics and has served as an expert witness concerning environmental and attorney malpractice issues. He is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Mr. Shumate has a B.S. Degree in chemical engineering from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology and obtained his J.D. Degree in 1962 from the Salmon P. Chase College of Law of Northern Kentucky University. Mr. Shumate is a resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

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