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John P. Hancock, Jr. featured at Michigan Labor-Management Association's

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel Long** attorney and shareholder **John P. Hancock, Jr.**, was a featured speaker during the recent Michigan Labor-Management Association's 2007 "Partners in Progress" conference. Mr. Hancock's presentation was titled, "Bargaining Concessionary Contracts: Selling Proposed Agreements."

Mr. Hancock's practice focuses on collective bargaining negotiations and arbitrations as well as counseling of both public and private employers. He has done extensive employment litigation and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) litigation. He has served as chief negotiator in numerous collective bargaining negotiations for public schools, municipal and public utilities as well as clients in various other businesses ranging from casinos and steel plants to hospitals and country clubs. A large portion of his practice is devoted to counseling clients on employment issues.

Mr. Hancock is a past Chair of the State Bar of Michigan Labor and Employment Section, and a member of the American Bar Association, the Detroit Bar Association, and the Michigan Council of School Attorneys.

Mr. Hancock is a Fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Attorneys, a Fellow of the Michigan State Bar Foundation, a Board Member of the National Safety Council of Southeastern Michigan, and a member of the American Employment Law Council. He is past chair of the firm's Labor and Employment Practice Group and is a member of the Oakland County Roundtable on Education and the Workforce.

Mr. Hancock has authored numerous articles and is a frequent lecturer on a wide variety of labor and employment related topics. He has overseen the development of Butzel Long's program of on-site seminars for Administrators and supervisors in labor and employment law. He is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*, *the International Who's Who of Labor and Employment Lawyers*, *Who's Who Legal USA - Management Labor & Employment* and *The Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and has been selected a *Michigan Superlawyer* and *Best of Class*.

Mr. Hancock is a graduate of Duke University Law School and the University of Notre Dame. He is a resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

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