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Leading real estate attorney specializing in condemnation and eminent domain joins Butzel Long

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Darius W. Dynkowski has devoted career to protecting property rights

DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel Long** is growing to meet client needs with the addition of **Darius W. Dynkowski** who joined the firm as a shareholder. Notably, Butzel Long's Real Estate Practice Group is one of the firm's largest practice teams.

Based in Butzel Long's Detroit office, Dynkowski concentrates his practice in the areas of condemnation and eminent domain, inverse condemnation and defacto takings, regulatory takings, property tax appeals, real estate valuation litigation, general real estate litigation including easements, leases, property line disputes, and all other aspects of real property dispute resolution in both state and federal courts. He is fully licensed in Michigan and Ohio and has handled matters nationally.

Dynkowski has devoted his career to protecting private property rights and specializes in all aspects of real estate and business valuation. He has guided his career on the basic premise that no one should be forced to face the involuntary loss of their property by a governmental agency without representation. Dynkowski has spent the last 25 years fighting city hall on behalf of his clients who range from homeowners to national corporations. The types of properties he has handled include residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, and special purpose properties.

He has served as the lead attorney on several matters that have resulted in compensation exceeding the original offer by at least \$1 million against governmental agencies and utility companies.

Notably, Dynkowski served as the Chair of the American Bar Association's Section of Real Property Land Use and Environmental Group Condemnation Committee. In 2009,

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Chambers USA recognized Dynkowski as one of the best eminent domain attorneys in the country. In 2012, *Michigan Lawyers Weekly* named Dynkowski a Leader In The Law. In addition, he has been featured in the *Michigan Super Lawyers* magazine, *Best Lawyers in America* and has an AV rating from Martindale Hubble.

He also has served as an adjunct professor at Michigan State University College of Law, is a frequent lecturer nationally, and has authored numerous articles on eminent domain. In June 2009, Dynkowski was appointed by former Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm to serve two terms on the State of Michigan Real Estate Appraiser Licensing Board.

Dynkowski earned a Juris Doctor degree from Michigan State University College of Law in 1996. He is a 1993 graduate of Wayne State University.