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Butzel adds attorney to growing Labor and Employment to Practice Group

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Blaine Veldhuis joins firm as a Senior Attorney

TROY, Mich. – **Butzel** is growing with the addition of labor and employment attorney **Blaine Veldhuis**. He is a senior attorney based in the firm's Troy office and a member of Butzel's Labor and Employment Practice Group.

Veldhuis focuses his practice on defending wage and hour claims, discrimination claims, sexual harassment claims, whistleblower claims, commercial litigation, and general employment litigation. Blaine regularly counsels employers in employee relations and discipline and discharge matters, and also assists employers in drafting employment policies and in complying with the federal and state employment laws. Mr. Veldhuis also focuses on the defense of complex ERISA litigation and single plaintiff ERISA cases.

He has significant experience representing defendants and respondents in administrative and governmental investigations, including Internal Revenue Service and U.S. Department of Labor audits, and investigations conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Michigan Department of Civil Rights, and the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs.

Veldhuis is a graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, (J.D., *cum laude*, 2014) where he was a title editor for the *University of Detroit Mercy Law Review*. He also participated in the University of Detroit Mercy Veterans Law Clinic. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Criminology, *magna cum laude*, from Central Connecticut State University in 2011.

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