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Butzel attorney Kurtis T. Wilder named to Michigan Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel** attorney **Kurtis T. Wilder** has been named to the Executive Committee of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. The Michigan Chamber of Commerce is Michigan's leading statewide business advocacy organization with more than 5,000 members.

"We're thrilled to welcome Kurtis Wilder to the Michigan Chamber's Executive Committee of our Board of Directors," said **Jim Holcomb, Michigan Chamber** president & CEO. "Volunteer leaders like former Justice Wilder are the lifeblood of the Chamber. His range of expertise, leadership skills and keen policy insights will be tremendous assets in our efforts to advance free enterprise and common-sense policies that foster economic prosperity for all Michiganders. We look forward to his many contributions and thank him for his willingness to serve our members and the state's business community."

Former Michigan Supreme Court Justice Wilder is a shareholder with Butzel. He concentrates his practice in litigation, appeals, and mediation and facilitation. He serves as a Neutral Mediator/Arbitrator with New Era ADR, a digital advanced dispute resolution platform, as Senior Lecturing Fellow at Regent University School of Law, and has appeared as a commentator on Dan Abrams Live.

He served on the Michigan Supreme Court following his appointment by Governor Rick Snyder on May 9, 2017. Prior to that time, Justice Wilder served as a judge on the Michigan Court of Appeals from December 1998 to May 2017 and a judge of the Washtenaw County Trial Court from March 1992 to December 1998.

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Justice Wilder, the 112th Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, graduated from the University of Michigan with an A.B. degree in Political Science in 1981, and from the University of Michigan Law School with a Juris Doctor degree in 1984.

Notably, Justice Wilder was named to *Michigan Lawyers Weekly's* Hall of Fame Class of 2021.

In 2021, Justice Wilder was elected Chair of the Interlochen Center for the Arts Board of Trustees. Previously, he served as First Vice-Chair and Chair-Elect.

In 2020, Justice Wilder was elected Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Justice Wilder also serves on the Boards of the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan, Detroit Regional Dollars for Scholars, and The Children's Foundation.

Moreover, Justice Wilder is an Elder and Chancel Choir member at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, and has memberships in the Fellows of the Michigan State Bar Foundation and the Wolverine Bar Association.

He is a Past President of the Michigan Judges Association, and Past Chairman of the State Bar of Michigan Judicial Conference.