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Butzel Attorney Mowitt (Mitt) S. Drew III Named to *Michigan Lawyers Weekly*'s 'Go To Lawyers for Family Law' List

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NILES, Mich. – **Butzel** attorney **Mowitt (Mitt) S. Drew III** is one of 26 attorneys named to *Michigan Lawyers Weekly*'s "Go To Lawyers for Family Law." The program honors leading lawyers in a particular field of law as nominated by their peers. Attorneys will be profiled in a special section in the March 24 print and digital editions.

Notably, a "Michigan Go To Lawyer" is:

- An expert in his or her field, well-versed in the nuances of the case law, statutes and regulations clients will encounter.
- Experienced, and enjoys a record of success, with many cases and/or transactions that give testimony to the quality advice he or she can provide.
- A lawyer to whom other lawyers make referrals because of his or her expertise and accomplishments.
- A lawyer who can think creatively and identify all options for a client.
- A lawyer you would name when a friend from another state calls and says she has a client who needs some legal help in a given part of our state.

Based in Butzel's Southwest Michigan office, Mowitt (Mitt) S. Drew III has earned a reputation for his straightforward and tactical approach in providing legal services. For more than two decades, he has consistently prevailed for clients in courts across Southwest Michigan and Northwest Indiana.

Known for his tenacious litigation style coupled with an innovative approach to providing effective solutions in myriad legal scenarios, Drew has provided clients with the favorable outcomes they require in a variety of disputes. Drew focuses his

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practice in the areas of Family Law and Personal Services, Family Office Business, Real Estate Law, Estate Planning, Municipal Law, and Corporate matters.

His Business Law experience includes corporate formation and governance, succession planning, and mergers and acquisitions. Throughout his career, Drew has had the privilege of representing closely held, generational, and family corporations, numerous local nonprofits, and municipalities. When serving in a corporate counsel role, he has successfully supported his corporate clients by providing value-added guidance at the speed of business.

When disputes arise, Drew is prepared to protect clients' personal interests and those important to their businesses. His strong background as a litigator, including real estate litigation, commercial and contract matters, probate and trust litigation, and more, have repeatedly led to successful outcomes. His experience encompasses counseling, negotiation, and litigation of disputes in all levels of the court system, including mediation, arbitration, and facilitation.

Drew represents individuals and business entities in a broad range of family office business and family law matters focusing on wealth preservation and meaningful transitions. The depth of his experience includes estate planning, probate and trust administration, and matters such as high net worth divorce, custody, paternity, and related matters. In the realm of the family office, he handles all aspects of the multitude of legal services required by entrepreneurs running operations of all sizes including labor and employment, succession planning, philanthropic endeavors, and more.

In the often complex area of Real Estate Law, Drew provides clients with counsel and representation concerning the sale and acquisition of property and land use and zoning matters. He is well-acquainted with the countless jurisdictional and governmental regulations inherent in real estate matters at all levels of government.

He enjoys strong relationships among clients and the community in Southwest Michigan and Northwest Indiana. Having established deep roots in the area, Drew freely gives his time to numerous local philanthropic organizations. In one such organization, the YMCA of Greater Michiana, he serves as chairperson where he has led growth through the consolidation and regional partnership of several branches.

Drew earned his juris doctor from Valparaiso University School of Law and his Bachelor of General Studies from the University of Michigan. He has been recognized time and again by various prestigious legal publications in the areas of Family Law, Commercial Litigation, and Land Use, Zoning and Condemnation Law.

