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Butzel Attorney Thomas A. Kabel to be Inducted Into American College of Real Estate Lawyers

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel** attorney and shareholder **Thomas A. Kabel** will be inducted into the American College of Real Estate Lawyers (ACREL) 2025 Class during the ACREL Annual Meeting September 18-21 in Washington, D.C. Kabel is the *only* Michigan-based attorney to be inducted into the 2025 Class.

Kabel, who serves on Butzel's Board of Directors and is a former Chair of the firm's Corporate/Real Estate Practice Department, concentrates his practice in the area of commercial real estate and real estate-related finance. He has been involved in all facets of acquisition, disposition, leasing, financing and development of real property throughout his career.

His real estate practice spans a wide range of diverse areas and clients, representing developers, automotive companies, manufacturing companies, and colleges and universities in all aspects of their real estate needs. He also has extensive experience representing commercial lenders in conventional financing and has served as bank counsel on numerous industrial revenue and other tax-exempt financings.

Kabel is certified by the Small Business Administration to close SBA loans under the SBA's 504 loan program. He is the author of *Equitable Subrogation: Why the Refinance Lender's Security Interest May Not be as Secure as it Thinks* (Michigan Real Property Review) and has participated as a speaker and/or author in numerous seminars and other continuing legal education programs over the years.

He is the former Chair of the State Bar of Michigan's Real Property Law Section. Kabel is a member of the American College of Mortgage Attorneys and of the Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section of the American Bar Association.

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Kabel's honors include recognition by *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Real Estate Law, 2016–2026, Banking and Finance Law, 2026; *Michigan Lawyers Weekly's* "Leaders in the Law" Class of 2024; Oakland County Executive's Elite 40 Under 40, Class of 2014; *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Senior Statesperson Real Estate, 2015, 2018–2025.

Moreover, Kabel has been recognized by Michigan *Super Lawyers*, Rising Stars in Real Estate, 2012; Michigan *Super Lawyers*, Real Estate, 2013–2025; and, *DBusiness* Top Lawyers in Metro Detroit, Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law, 2011–2012, 2014, 2016–2018, 2020–2023; Banking & Financial Service Law, 2016, 2017, 2020, 2021.

Kabel is a graduate of Wayne State University Law School (J.D., *cum laude*, 1999), where he was Senior Articles Editor of the *Wayne Law Review*, and Grand Valley State University (B.S. 1995).