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### **Butzel Elects New Shareholders**

#### Firm News

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DETROIT, Mich. – **Butzel** attorneys **Ashley Aldea**, **Scott J. Fishwick, Mark W. Jane** and **Steven R. Pohl** have been elected shareholders.

# **Ashley Aldea**

Based in Butzel's Troy office, Ashley Aldea concentrates her practice in the area of commercial real estate, real estate-related finance and corporate. She assists clients in all aspects of acquisition, disposition, leasing, financing real estate transactions, general corporate representation, entity formation and entity structure in both Michigan and Canada. Aldea has represented borrowers and lenders in multi-million dollar real estate financing transactions including the financing and acquisition of a \$1Billion portfolio of 27 operating multifamily properties.

Aldea is certified by the National Association of Development Companies (a trade association of companies that have been certified by the U.S. Small Business Administration to provide funding for small businesses) to close SBA loans under the SBA's 504 Loan program.

Prior to joining Butzel, Aldea worked for Ford Motor Credit Company, where she was responsible for advising Ford Credit executives, management and business teams on various dealer matters, marketing matters, vehicle liquidations, and bankruptcy matters, day-to-day corporate and commercial matters and secured transactions for Ford Credit Canada Company. In addition, she assisted in negotiating and drafting commercial and consumer contracts and supported the implementation of changes in laws and regulations relating to privacy, consumer protection, cost of credit and general corporate law in Canada.

## **Related People**

Ashley Aldea Shareholder

Scott J. Fishwick Shareholder

Mark W. Jane Shareholder

Steven R. Pohl Shareholder

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She is admitted to practice in Michigan and in Ontario, Canada. She is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, American Bar Association, Canadian Bar Association and the Law Society of Ontario.

Aldea is a graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law where she earned her J.D. and Wayne State University where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biological Sciences and a Master of Science degree in Biomedical Engineering. After law school, Aldea received a Certificate of Qualification with the Federation of Law Societies of Canada and became a licensed Barrister and Solicitor with the Law Society of Ontario.

#### Scott J. Fishwick

Scott Fishwick, based in Butzel's Detroit office, is a member of the firm's Litigation Department. He represents public and private companies, their officers and directors, and other high-profile individuals in complex business and financial disputes.

Fishwick has a broad practice in state and federal court focusing on complex contractual disputes, class action defense, business torts, internal investigations, securities litigation, real estate litigation, and arbitration. His experience spans clients in various sectors, including finance, manufacturing, technology, sports, and real estate.

Before joining Butzel, Fishwick served as a law clerk in Detroit to the Honorable Victoria A. Roberts, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. He also practiced for more than a decade at international law firms in Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles, Calif.

Fishwick graduated from the University of Michigan Law School (J.D., 2011, *cum laude*), where he was a Contributing Editor of the Michigan Law Review, and also from Dartmouth College (A.B., 2007, *cum laude*).

# Mark W. Jane

Based in Butzel's Ann Arbor office, Mark Jane practices in the areas of employee benefits and executive compensation, with a focus on complex issues arising from the sponsorship of group health and welfare plans.

He has worked with employers of all shapes and sizes, providing incisive counsel regarding the tax and employment implications on the design and ongoing maintenance of a wide array of employee benefit plans, primarily comprehensive health and welfare plans, cafeteria plans, 401(k) plans, and profit-sharing plans. He has experience representing clients with respect to their benefit plans before various governmental agencies, including the Internal Revenue Service and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

He is admitted to practice in Michigan and California. He has held numerous leadership roles in several bar associations. Jane previously served as President of the Washtenaw County Bar Association in 2019-2020. His other roles with the WCBA have included serving as a two-term Co-Chair



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of the Judiciary Committee, as a Co-Chair of the Community Liaison Committee, and as a Co-Chair of the New Lawyers Section. He also served as the Chair of the State Bar of Michigan Young Lawyers Section in 2015-2016, and currently serves as a representative of Washtenaw County (22nd Circuit) on the State Bar of Michigan Representative Assembly.

Jane attended the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree with high distinction. He also attended Loyola University Chicago School of Law, where he received a J.D., *cum laude*. Notably, he has been named an "Associate to Watch" by *Chambers USA* from 2016-2022 and as one of the *DBusiness* Top Lawyers in Michigan for 2011, 2019-2022.

### Steven R. Pohl

Steven Pohl is based in Butzel's Troy office, where he represents a variety of small to medium-sized businesses on a wide range of matters. His areas of expertise include business law and real estate law.

He is included in *Best Lawyers in America*, Corporate Law, 2022-2023. Moreover, he is a member of the State Bar of Michigan: Real Property Section; Business Law Section Oakland County Bar Association.

Pohl received his B.A. in Business Administration (with a major in Accounting) from the Eli Broad College of Business, Michigan State University (1993) and his J.D. from the Maurer School of Law at Indiana University Bloomington (1998).

