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Construction law attorney joins Butzel as a Shareholder in the firm's Grand Rapids office

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. – Butzel is growing its West Michigan office with the addition of construction law attorney Daniel J. Hatch. He joins the firm as a Shareholder.

In addition to construction law, Hatch practices in the areas of business law, tax law, insurance recovery and advisory, and commercial litigation. Notably, he is experienced in civil litigation representing owners, general contractors, design professionals, subcontractors, and suppliers in various matters involving contract disputes, real property disputes, tort and professional liability claims, lien and bond claims, and collections in state and federal courts.

His construction practice includes experience in arbitration and litigation proceedings involving private, local, state, and federal projects including hospitals, professional sports stadiums, public high schools, college facilities, university dormitories and classroom buildings, airport terminal buildings, parking structures, military bases, bridges, water treatment facilities, water lift and pumping stations, sewage treatment plants, office tower complexes, mixed-use buildings, residential homes, office buildings, industrial manufacturing facilities, food processing and production facilities, restaurants, big box retail facilities, hotel construction, train station renovation, casino design and construction, church construction, adult congregate residential living and retirement facilities, condominium construction, and others including work for various construction industry related trade associations.

Hatch has assisted clients in construction-related disputes involving issues such as contract scope, contract time of performance, delay, schedule compression and acceleration, warranty, indemnity, insurance procurement and coverage, site access, design specifications, design errors and omissions, the

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Spearin Doctrine, Builders' Trust Fund Acts, Prompt Pay Acts, MIOSHA citations, submittals and substitutions, change order and payment disputes, contract interpretation, default, wrongful termination, and termination for convenience claims.

He also specializes in litigation and appeals in state and federal courts on subjects including takings, ordinance validity, zoning, building codes, permit and inspection procedures, code enforcement, riparian rights, development contracts, Open Meetings Acts, equal protection, and due process.

Hatch has been named a Rising Star by *Super Lawyers* from 2019–present. He is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, State Bar of Michigan Character and Fitness District C Committee, Grand Rapids Bar Association, Construction Financial Management Association, American Subcontractors Association National Attorneys' Council, and Associated Builders and Contractors.

Hatch is a graduate of Michigan State University College of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2014) where he served as an associate editor of the *Michigan State Law Review*. Moreover, he served as a teaching assistant at the Michigan State University College of Law Housing Clinic. He earned a B.A., in Business, *magna cum laude*, from Grand Valley State University.