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**Michigan Chamber elects Kurtis T. Wilder as 2023 Board Chair**  
*Butzel attorney, former Michigan Supreme Court Justice to serve as chair of organization's Board of Directors*

(LANSING, Mich.) – The Michigan Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has elected a new chair for the 2023 calendar year – Kurtis T. Wilder, legal counselor and shareholder with leading law firm Butzel. Wilder officially took the helm today, Jan. 24. He succeeds Angela McBride, COO of Amerisure.

Michigan Chamber President & CEO Jim Holcomb thanked McBride for her dedicated service and welcomed Wilder to the role, saying volunteer leaders like these two are the lifeblood of the Michigan Chamber and fulfilling the organization's mission and work.

"The Michigan Chamber team, Board of Directors and members, and our state's businesses, communities and families have benefited immensely from Angela's steady hand and will continue to do so with Kurtis Wilder's leadership as chair," Holcomb said. "Kurtis' range of expertise, keen policy insight, willingness to listen, understand and dig into key issues, and spirit of service are the perfect mix to help lead our work in 2023. We look forward to his guidance and many contributions."

"In 2022, I joined the Executive Committee of the Michigan Chamber Board of Directors," Wilder said. "It is an honor to continue serving the state's business community in this important leadership role."

Former Michigan Supreme Court Justice Wilder now concentrates his practice at Butzel in litigation, appeals, and mediation and facilitation. He serves as a Neutral Mediator/Arbitrator with New Era ADR, a digital advanced dispute resolution platform, and has earned many distinguished accolades over his career. Wilder is one of only a handful of jurists in Michigan history to have served on all three levels of our state's court system. He holds his law and undergraduate degrees from the University of Michigan.

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*The Michigan Chamber of Commerce is a statewide business organization representing approximately 5,000 employers, trade associations and local chambers of commerce. The Michigan Chamber represents businesses of every size and type in all 83 counties across the state and employing more than 1 million Michiganders. The Chamber was established in 1959 to be an advocate for Michigan's job providers in the legislative, political and legal process.*