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Hudson Cook, LLP Announces the Election of Thomas J Buiteweg to The American Law Institute

-Hudson Cook LLP partner Buiteweg elected to The American Law Institute-

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Hanover Maryland. -- Hudson Cook LLP, a nationwide provider of legal compliance services for the financial services industry, recently announced that Thomas J. Buiteweg, a partner at the firm's Ann Arbor, Michigan office, has been elected to The American Law Institute.

ALI engages in intensive examination and analysis of legal areas thought to need reform. Their work generally culminates in extensive recommendations for change in the law. ALI president, Roberta Cooper Ramo, said "The process of being selected into the ALI is rigorous. Membership is a significant honor, as well as a promise to contribute to the health of the legal system in the U.S. and, increasingly, that of legal systems around the world."

Tom Hudson, partner at the Hanover Maryland office, said "I'm very pleased that The American Law Institute has selected Tom for this responsibility. His experience with the UCC and consumer finance laws will allow him to provide meaningful contributions to the Institute."

Tom Buiteweg's practice at Hudson Cook focuses on helping financial institutions, sales finance companies, motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers to establish and maintain national consumer automobile finance and leasing programs, including helping them address issues arising under the UCC. Before joining the firm in 2008, Tom worked on the GMAC Legal Staff, where he served as General Counsel of GMAC's wholly-owned servicing subsidiary and managed the practice group responsible for regulatory and legal compliance matters relating to GMAC's consumer automotive finance and lease operations. Tom is also a Uniform Law Commissioner for the State of Michigan and lecturer at the University of Michigan Law School on secured financing.

Tom is a 1993 *magna cum laude* graduate of University of Michigan Law School. He received a BBA in Accounting from the University of Notre Dame in 1987.

About Hudson Cook, LLP

Hudson Cook, LLP is a 33-lawyer consumer financial services law firm with a national practice from offices in California, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Maryland, New York, and Michigan. The firm represents many of the nation's top banks, savings associations, holding companies, finance companies, auto dealers and others who provide services to auto financing and leasing and mortgage bankers, insurance and securities companies, investment banks and "e-commerce" firms, including several Fortune 500 companies. Hudson Cook's related Internet publishing company, CounselorLibrary.com, offers online compliance database and update services, including industry standards **CARLAW** and **HouseLaw**.

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The American Law Institute is the leading independent organization in the United States producing scholarly work to clarify, modernize, and otherwise improve the law. The Institute (made up of 4,200 lawyers, judges, and law professors of the highest qualifications) drafts, discusses, revises, and publishes Restatements of the Law, model statutes, and principles of law that are enormously influential in the courts and legislatures, as well as in legal scholarship and education. ALI has long been influential internationally and, in recent years, more of its work has become international in scope. By participating in the Institute's work, its distinguished members have the opportunity to influence the development of the law in both existing and emerging areas, to work with other eminent lawyers, judges, and academics, to give back to a profession to which they are deeply dedicated, and to contribute to the public good.