

Cynthia Buchko

General Counsel
Operating Engineers Local 139 Health Benefit Fund
Madison, Wisconsin

Cynthia (Cindy) Buchko is the General Counsel for the Operating Engineers Health Benefit Fund, a multi-employer trust fund that provides health benefits to nearly 20,000 individuals. As the Fund's General Counsel, she has responsibility for ensuring compliance with ERISA, Taft-Hartley, ACA and other federal regulatory schemes. She also handles all in-house litigation, manages outside litigation counsel, and advises the board with respect to fiduciary obligations, investment of trust assets and other significant board responsibilities. Prior to joining the Fund in 2014, Cindy spent 15 years in private practice and was a shareholder and the Vice President of Legal Services for a leading Midwest law firm. Cindy is active in the legal and nonprofit communities. She was appointed by Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers to serve as a member of the Joint Enforcement Task Force on Payroll Fraud and Worker Misclassification. Cindy is also a Board Member of the YWCA of Madison Foundation. Past positions include: Board Member and Chair of the Construction and Public Contract Law section of the Wisconsin State Bar; Board of Heartland Farm Sanctuary; Board of YWCA of Madison; Board of End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin; and Wisconsin Bio Industry Alliance, Bio Power Board.