

**WILLIAM O'HARE NAMED RECIPIENT OF THE ORANGE COUNTY BAR
FOUNDATION'S ROBERT SAMUEL BARNES AWARD**
Administrative Partner of Snell & Wilmer L.L.P. Honored

COSTA MESA, Calif. (May 8, 2009) — Snell & Wilmer L.L.P. has announced that William O'Hare, administrative partner of the firm's Orange County office, has been named the recipient of the Orange County Bar Foundation's Robert Samuel Barnes award.

The honor, known as the "Sammy," is presented annually to the foundation member, or members, who have significantly contributed to the organization's mission of serving the youth and families of Orange County, Calif. The award was named in honor of Robert Samuel Barnes, a long-time supporter and friend of the foundation, who contributed greatly to its program and causes.

According to Nancy Garcia, associate director of the foundation, O'Hare's long-term commitment has played a key role in the program's continued success in reaching out to Orange County's at-risk youths. The foundation has been a leader in the field of juvenile crime diversion and citizenship education for 30 years, consistently providing positive results through education, counseling and mentoring.

"Bill's leadership has contributed greatly to the sustainability of the foundation through his personal involvement with strategic planning and long-term fund development efforts," said Garcia. "We are very proud to honor him with this prestigious award."

O'Hare, is a past president of the organization and a long-term board member. He now joins a distinguished group of past recipients, including Robert Samuel Barnes; Donald L. Morrow, Esq.; the Hon. Judith M. Ryan (Ret.); Ann Andres, Esq.; John C. Herklotz; Jane Martin; Paul and Jean Cleary; Justice Sheila Prell Sonenshine (Ret.); Ygal Sonenshine; and Michael D. Pursell, Esq.

About The Orange County Bar Foundation, Inc. For over 30 years, the Orange County Bar Foundation has been committed to keeping at-risk youth out of jail, in school, healthy and drug free through education, counseling and mentoring. Since 1990, the Foundation has provided delinquency and substance abuse prevention as well as diversion services in both English and Spanish to Orange County residents.

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