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SNELL & WILMER RECEIVES 2009 BEACON OF JUSTICE AWARD

Firm Donates Nearly 4,000 Hours of Pro Bono Service

PHOENIX (June 4, 2009) – Snell & Wilmer L.L.P. has been recognized as one of the 2009 Beacon of Justice Award recipients, presented by the National Legal Aid & Defender Association (NLADA) for its extraordinary commitment to providing pro bono legal representation to low-income families facing foreclosure proceedings. Partner Jay Coleman accepted the honor on behalf of the firm at the 2009 Exemplar Award Dinner, which was held at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Washington, DC on June 3.

NLADA is the oldest and largest national, nonprofit membership organization to devote all its resources to advocating for equal access to justice for all Americans. The Association champions effective legal assistance for people who cannot afford counsel, serves as a collective voice for both civil legal services and public defense services throughout the nation, and provides a wide range of services and benefits to its individual and organizational members.

"We find ourselves at a critical turning point in history. Millions of people across the country are facing unyielding pressures because of the economic crisis. People with less than adequate means are losing their jobs, health insurance and, often the most devastating loss of all, their homes," said NLADA President & CEO Jo-Ann Wallace. "We are honored and humbled to award the 2009 Beacon of Justice Award to Snell & Wilmer, which has provided nearly 4,000 hours of pro bono time to homeowners across the nation who were facing foreclosure proceedings."

About Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.

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