

## SNELL & WILMER NAMES TEN NEW PARTNERS

**PHOENIX (January 4, 2011)** – Snell & Wilmer today announced that it has named ten new partners to the firm.

“We are pleased to welcome this talented group of attorneys into the Snell & Wilmer partnership,” said John Bouma, Snell & Wilmer chairman. “They have demonstrated their ability to provide excellent legal services as well as a commitment to our clients and the communities in we live and work. We look forward to the continued dedication and leadership these new partners will provide.”

The new Snell & Wilmer partners are:

- **Aaron D. Ford**, Commercial Litigation. Based in Las Vegas, Ford practices in the area of complex commercial litigation, focusing on business, real estate and contract disputes. He also has experience in the areas of school and public law. Ford received his B.S. from Texas A&M University and his J.D. and Ph.D. in Educational Administration from The Ohio State University.
- **Richard Gordon**, Commercial Litigation. Based in Las Vegas, Gordon has extensive experience in complex business litigation in both state and federal courts and before various administrative tribunals. His practice focuses primarily on M&A and securities litigation, shareholder class actions and commercial contract and tort disputes. He also has extensive experience handling product liability and insurance coverage litigation. Gordon received his B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Franciscan University of Steubenville and earned his J.D. from the University of Notre Dame Law School.
- **James Jones**, Real Estate, Environmental, Energy & Finance. Based in Salt Lake City, Jones regularly advises borrowers and lenders, including national and regional banks, hedge funds, private equity groups, insurance companies and businesses in such matters, including asset-based lending, construction lending, bridge loans, mezzanine and second lien debt, loan participations and syndications, factoring, equipment leasing, the acquisition and disposition of distressed debt, creditors’ rights, workouts, foreclosures, restructures and reorganizations. He earned both his B.S., *magna cum laude*, and J.D., *cum laude*, from Brigham Young University.
- **Adam Lang**, Commercial Litigation. Based in Phoenix, Lang’s experience includes many types of business disputes including real estate and construction litigation, banking and securities litigation, governmental investigations, white-collar and common criminal defense, accounting, actuarial, legal malpractice disputes, and class action, partnership and shareholder litigation. He received his B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Washington University, his J.D. from University of California at Los Angeles, School of Law, and his Masters in Public Policy from the School of Public Policy and Social Research at University of California at Los Angeles.
- **Craig Logsdon**, Product Liability Litigation. Based in Phoenix, Logsdon’s practice is concentrated in product liability, health care litigation and criminal defense. He has tried numerous criminal and civil jury cases in Arizona, and represents the interests of manufacturers in major product liability suits brought in jurisdictions across the country. Logsdon earned his B.A. from University of Oklahoma and his J.D., *cum laude*, from Arizona State University.

- **Kelly Wilkins MacHenry**, Product Liability Litigation. Based in Phoenix, MacHenry represents clients in product liability, financial services and business litigation. She advises and defends cases for companies throughout the United States, and has tried cases in several states including California and Texas. She is the co-chair of the firm's Consumer Product Safety Industry Group and counsels businesses on compliance, warnings and recalls. MacHenry received her B.A. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and her J.D. from Boston College Law School.
- **Brian Mills**, Labor & Employment. Based in Orange County, Mills' practice is concentrated in employment litigation and counseling. He defends employers in state and federal courts, including claims of harassment, discrimination, retaliation, wrongful termination, wage and hour claims (individual and class action), and trade secrets disputes. He also provides clients with ongoing advice on a wide range of personnel matters. He received his B.A. from the University of California at Irvine and his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from Loyola University School of Law, New Orleans.
- **Eric Pezold**, Bankruptcy, Insolvency & Business Reorganization. Based in Orange County, Pezold's practice is concentrated primarily in bankruptcy, reorganization, creditor's rights, foreclosure, receivership and workout law; federal and state court commercial and business litigation; and real estate tax investments. He received his B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Arizona State University and his J.D., *with honors*, from Rutgers University School of Law.
- **Prescott Pohl**, Tax, Employee Benefits & Estate Planning. Based in Phoenix, Pohl's practice is concentrated in taxation, trust and estate matters, with an emphasis in estate and gift taxation, income taxation, domestic and international estate planning, private foundations and related controversies. He earned his Bachelor of Accountancy from George Washington University, his M.B.A. in finance and his J.D. from the University of Oregon, and his LL.M. in taxation from New York University School of Law.
- **Marc Schultz**, Tax, Employee Benefits & Estate Planning. Based in Phoenix, Schultz's practice is concentrated in federal, local and state taxation matters, including mergers and acquisitions transactions, tax credit financing, and complex business transactions involving real property and renewable energy. He received his B.A. from Michigan State University, his J.D., with *highest honors*, from Chicago-Kent College of Law and his LL.M. from New York University School of Law.

#### **About Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.**

Founded in 1938, Snell & Wilmer is a full-service business law firm with more than 400 attorneys practicing in nine locations throughout the western United States and in Mexico, including Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona; Los Angeles and Orange County, California; Denver, Colorado; Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada; Salt Lake City, Utah; and Los Cabos, Mexico. The firm represents clients ranging from large, publicly traded corporations to small businesses, individuals and entrepreneurs. For more information, visit [www.swlaw.com](http://www.swlaw.com).

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