

**WILLIAM MULHOLLAND JOINS SNELL & WILMER'S  
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY GROUP**

**PHOENIX (January 14, 2011)** – Snell & Wilmer today announced that William “Bill” F. Mulholland II has rejoined the Intellectual Property (“IP”) practice group as counsel in the firm’s Phoenix office. With this addition, the firm’s IP practice continues to expand its extensive capabilities.

“We are excited to welcome Bill back to the firm. His wealth of industry experience will provide a very positive impact on our group and clients alike,” said Chuck Hauff, Snell & Wilmer’s IP practice group leader.

Mulholland was previously an associate with Snell & Wilmer in the early 2000’s but spent the last eight years serving as in-house counsel for corporations in the pharmaceutical and agricultural industries. His practice involves all aspects of intellectual property law as related to life sciences, including small molecule chemistry and biologic therapeutics, as well as diagnostics, drug discovery and drug delivery. In agriculture, Mulholland similarly focuses on chemical and biologic-based active ingredients, as well as formulation and chemical process technologies.

Mulholland provides strategic counseling around all aspects of discovery, development and commercialization activities. He has extensive transactional and counseling experience, including providing opinions of counsel and successfully negotiating a wide range of licenses and various other IP agreements.

Mulholland’s patent procurement practice includes comprehensive life-cycle management planning, from emerging technologies to post-patent expiry of commercial products. He counsels clients on portfolio evaluation, due diligence and freedom-to-operate investigations, patent prosecution, interferences and European oppositions. Mulholland’s practice also encompasses patent litigation before the USPTO Board of Appeals and the Federal Courts.

Mulholland received his B.S., *cum laude*, from the University of Arizona in Biochemistry. He then went on to earn his J.D. from the University of Southern California Law School and his Masters Degree in Molecular Biology from Brown University.

Snell & Wilmer’s extensive IP practice includes over 30 full-time patent attorneys, with a vast array of collective technical and business expertise. The group represents clients of all sizes worldwide with the protection of patent, trademark, copyrights and trade secret rights; transactional work such as confidentiality, manufacturing, licensing and development agreements; due diligence and negotiation of representations in acquisitions; and litigation and other enforcement matters.

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