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SNELL & WILMER ADDS ASSOCIATE KARLENE MARTORANA TO PHOENIX OFFICE

PHOENIX (March 08, 2011) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Karlene E. Martorana has joined the firm's Phoenix office as an associate in the Real Estate, Environmental, Energy & Finance Group.

Martorana joins the firm with extensive knowledge of various state and federal natural resource issues. She has represented irrigation districts in a range of litigation matters, monitored federal and state legislation regarding natural resource issues to determine potential effects on clients, assisted clients with Arizona water-related issues, including obtaining withdrawal permits, reporting annual groundwater withdrawals and obtaining certificates of assured water supply.

Martorana has also counseled clients regarding the risks disclosed in Phase I Environmental Assessments and advised clients regarding compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, including counseling clients regarding the risks of transactions, particularly with respect to the scope of environmental impact statements.

She earned her B.S., *summa cum laude*, from the University of Arizona and her J.D. from the University of Maryland School of Law. She is admitted in the Arizona State Bar and is actively involved in a number of community organizations.

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