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## **SNELL & WILMER ADDS NEW ATTORNEY TO PHOENIX OFFICE**

**PHOENIX (May 31, 2011)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce the addition of Michael T. Liburdi in the firm's Phoenix office.

Liburdi's prior experience focused on business litigation, government relations and political law. During the past several years, Liburdi represented one of the southwest's largest hospital systems in a series of antitrust actions filed by the United States Department of Justice, a temporary labor provider and a class of affected persons.

Liburdi has extensive experience in complex commercial litigation disputes that includes antitrust, securities, breach of contract and professional negligence actions. He recently secured a commercial arbitration victory for an industrial manufacturer and successfully defeated a lawsuit challenging the construction of a major pharmaceutical research facility in Arizona.

Liburdi will also join Snell & Wilmer's growing election law practice. His election and political law experience includes advising candidates and initiative committees on matters ranging from constitutional law, campaign finance law compliance, election law complaints and initiative drafting. Liburdi's political litigation experience includes multiple pre-election challenges to proposed constitutional amendments, post-election recounts and constitutional challenges to legislation. In 2008, Liburdi served as a litigation attorney with the Federal Election Commission in Washington, D.C., where he defended the Commission in litigation arising from the McCain presidential campaign's decision to withdraw from the Presidential Primary Matching Payment Account Act.

Liburdi received his undergraduate and *juris doctorate* degrees from Arizona State University and clerked for the Hon. Ruth V. McGregor on the Supreme Court of Arizona.

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

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