

SEEPAN PARSEGHIAN ADDED TO SNELL & WILMER'S LOS ANGELES OFFICE

LOS ANGELES (December 5, 2011) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to welcome a new associate, Seepan Parseghian, to the commercial litigation group in Los Angeles. Seepan is among the 16 new attorneys added to Snell & Wilmer's Southern California offices since July of this year.

For the past four months, Parseghian has been in Arusha, Tanzania working for the United Nations' International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (UNICTR), and was working remotely with the tribunal since January through a partnership with USC Law's International Human Rights Clinic. The UNICTR was established to prosecute persons responsible for the Rwandan genocide and other serious violations of international humanitarian law committed in the territory of Rwanda in 1994. Parseghian assisted in numerous historical trials by conducting research, wrapping up judgments and drafting decisions. Among other cases, Parseghian worked closely with President Judge Khalida Khan in the multi-accused case of Bizimungu et al., which involved four former national ministers and was the longest-running case in the history of the Tribunal.

"Seepan is a talented lawyer and committed humanitarian. His efforts in Tanzania prior to beginning his career with the firm are highly commendable and we are proud to welcome him to our team as we continue to expand in Los Angeles. Seepan exemplifies the ethic behind the firm's dedication to public and community service," said Cary Jones, Administrative Partner of Snell & Wilmer's Los Angeles office.

Parseghian's practice will be focused in commercial litigation. He graduated from Stanford University with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with interdisciplinary honors in International Security Studies and Minor in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies. He went on to earn his *Juris Doctor* with honors from University of Southern California Gould School of Law. Parseghian is the Class of 2011 recipient of the Carl Mason Franklin Award for excellence in international law coursework and extracurricular activities.

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