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**15 SNELL & WILMER ATTORNEYS NAMED TO 2012 UTAH LEGAL ELITE**

**SALT LAKE CITY (January 05, 2012)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that *Utah Business Magazine* has included 15 Snell & Wilmer attorneys on the 2012 edition of “Utah’s Legal Elite.” The list, published in the January issue, is a compilation of legal leaders who are selected by their peers for this distinction.

*Utah Business Magazine* annually publishes “Utah’s Legal Elite” list which showcases the state’s best-of-the-best lawyers. Members of the Utah State Bar are asked to vote for lawyers whose work they have observed firsthand to be above and beyond and whose services they would recommend to others.

Listed below are the attorneys and areas of practice in which they are honored:

**Banking/Financial**

Brian D. Cunningham

**Bankruptcy/Workout**

David E. Leta

**Civil Litigation**

Bryon J. Benevento

James D. Gardner

Matthew L. Lalli

Mark O. Morris

Amy F. Sorenson

Alan L. Sullivan

Nathan E. Wheatley

**Environmental**

Denise A. Drago

Bradley R. Cahoon

**Real Estate**

Wade R. Budge

Brian C. Cheney

**Up and Coming** (attorneys practicing 10 years or less)

Kenneth C. Ashton in Corporate Law and Transactions

James H. Jones in Banking/Financial

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