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**SNELL & WILMER SPONSORS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS
MID-YEAR MEETING IN LOS ANGELES**

LOS ANGELES (February 22, 2012) – Snell & Wilmer is a proud sponsor of “Reaching for the Stars,” the National Association of Women Lawyers (NAWL) Mid-Year Meeting on Thursday, February 23rd, 2012 at the Omni Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles.

The NAWL Mid-Year Meeting will have numerous presentations and discussions to inform, educate and motivate women lawyers. Effective networking tools and tips, negotiating ethical dilemmas and further integrating women in the legal profession are a few topics on the agenda. M.C. Sungaila, appellate partner at Snell & Wilmer’s Orange County office and the Co-Chair of Sponsorship and Marketing for the Mid-Year Meeting, will be introducing Ninth Circuit Judge Dorothy Nelson, the Leadership Award 2012 honoree.

“This is an era of continuing change for law firms and legal departments alike, and the need to strengthen our professional and leadership skills has never been more compelling,” says Sungaila. “This Mid-Year Meeting is designed for lawyers to develop those skills.”

Sungaila is an appellate litigator who seeks out opportunities to initiate positive policy changes which impact both her clients and their industries. Fortune 500 companies and leading international human rights organizations have relied on Sungaila, who has briefed, argued and won appeals involving issues such as the scope of the duty to warn sophisticated users of product hazards, guidelines for admitting expert testimony, limit the reach of medical monitoring claims, standards for interstate enforcement of noncompete agreements and important rights for women and girls in California, nationally and internationally. She has been repeatedly named one of the “Top Women Lawyers and Litigators in California” by the *Daily Journal*, and *The National Law Journal* named her “Appellate Lawyer of the Week” for her amicus brief in the closely watched *Wal-Mart v. Dukes* U.S. Supreme Court class action case.

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