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## **ELIZABETH WELDON NAMED ‘RISING STAR’ BY ACC-SOCAL**

**ORANGE COUNTY (April 20, 2012)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Elizabeth Weldon, partner in the firm’s Orange County office, has been named a 2012 Rising Star by the Southern California Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC-SoCal). Weldon was recognized alongside the other honorees at a reception on April 19<sup>th</sup> in Laguna Beach.

This small list is composed of extraordinary young outside and in-house counsel. The 2012 ACC-SoCal “Rising Stars” will be the area’s young professionals to watch and are selected based on nominations from in-house and outside counsel peers that highlight great work and contributions to the legal community.

Weldon concentrates her practice in business litigation, franchise litigation, and intellectual property litigation. She represents franchisors in matters including breach of contract, trademark and trade name infringement, business competition torts, and franchise law claims. Additionally, Weldon represents both large and small businesses in intellectual property and other litigation matters, including patent, trademark, trade dress, trade secret, copyright, breach of contract, and tort claims. Weldon is currently the co-chair of the Southern California chapter of the Women's Franchise Network of the International Franchise Association. She has been a member of the Board of Directors for Girls Inc. of Orange County since 2011 and is also a past President of Friends of READ/Orange County (2006-2009).

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