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U.S.-MEXICO BAR ASSOCIATION APPOINTS SNELL & WILMER PARTNER CARLOS SUGICH TO THE BOARD

PHOENIX (November 12, 2012) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that <u>Carlos Sugich</u>, a partner in the firm's Phoenix office, was recently appointed to the board of directors for the U.S.-Mexico Bar Association (USMBA). The USMBA is a unique, bi-national Bar Association made up of attorneys from both Mexico and the United States.

The purpose of the USMBA is to develop and promote understanding of the legal systems and practices and cultural differences of the two nations; to exchange professional information among its members, concerning issues of law that affect common interest, such as commerce, investment and immigration, among others. The USMBA enables lawyers in the two countries, those in private practice as well as those serving in the judicial system, to better serve their communities and clients; to promote development of infrastructure for the provision of legal services and the solution of controversies; to share experiences in dealing with matters of common interest, and avoid unnecessary conflicts, without adopting or favoring any particular political standing.

Sugich heads the firm's Mexico Practice Group and manages the firm's Los Cabos office in Mexico. He is admitted to practice law in both the United States (Arizona) and throughout Mexico and is currently the Vice-Chair of the Mexico Law Committee of the American Bar Association's Section of International Law. Sugich regularly advises clients in connection with cross-border operations and business transactions in Mexico and Latin America. He represents clients from a wide variety of industries including real estate, renewable energy, hotels and hospitality, gaming, banking, manufacturing, mining, distribution and agribusiness. Sugich has a law degree from Universidad Automona de Guadalajara and an LL.M from New York University School of Law.

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