

**COLORADO GOVERNOR JOHN HICKENLOOPER APPOINTS SNELL & WILMER
ATTORNEY NEIL PECK TO COLORADO STATE PERSONNEL BOARD**

DENVER (July 1, 2013) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Neil Peck, of counsel in the firm’s Denver office, has been appointed by Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper to the State Personnel Board. Peck’s three-year term begins July 1, 2013.

Governor Hickenlooper is the fourth Colorado governor to appoint Peck to a state board or commission. Former Governor Richard Lamm appointed Peck to the Colorado Lottery Commission, which he served as its first chairman, and former Governors Bill Owens and Bill Ritter each appointed Peck to the Colorado Council on Creative Industries.

The five-member State Personnel Board makes rules governing the state personnel system and hears appeals by applicants and employees in the state personnel system. The Board's mission is to resolve disputes involving state employees and agencies in a manner that is fair, efficient and understandable for all parties; to establish policies and rules that protect and recognize merit as the basis for state employment while balancing management's need for discretion and flexibility; and to provide guidance in achieving and maintaining a sound, comprehensive and uniform system of human resource management through rules, decisions, communication and training.

“I am grateful to Governor Hickenlooper for the honor to serve Colorado as a member of the State Personnel Board,” said Peck. “Snell & Wilmer has a long tradition of community, industry and government service and leadership. This new role will enable me to utilize my experience to provide guidance and counsel on matters of significant importance to the State’s personnel system.”

Peck's practice is concentrated in complex civil and criminal litigation, including appeals, involving commercial, trade regulation, environmental, natural resources, white collar criminal defense and international issues. He represents major American and international corporate clients, including corporate officers, in complex civil and criminal business litigation matters involving issues such as accounting fraud, foreign corrupt practices, environmental, natural resources, antitrust and false advertising. Peck received his B.A. *magna cum laude* from Tufts University. He then went on to earn his LL.B from Yale Law School.

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