

**BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA NAMES NINE SNELL & WILMER ATTORNEYS AS
“LAWYERS OF THE YEAR”**

PHOENIX (September 9, 2013) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that the following nine attorneys in four of the firm’s offices have been named as “Lawyer of the Year” for 2014 by *Best Lawyers in America*®:

Orange County

- [Richard A. Derevan](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Appellate Practice "Lawyer of the Year."

Phoenix

- [Donald L. Gaffney](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law "Lawyer of the Year."
- [Joel P. Hoxie](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Litigation - Banking & Finance "Lawyer of the Year."
- [Howard I. Sobelman](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Copyright Law "Lawyer of the Year."
- [David A. Sprentall](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Financial Services Regulation Law "Lawyer of the Year."

Salt Lake City

- [Denise A. Dragoo](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Government Relations Practice "Lawyer of the Year."
- [Alan L. Sullivan](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Mediation "Lawyer of the Year."
- [John G. Weston](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Corporate Governance Law "Lawyer of the Year."

Tucson

- [William N. Poorten III](#) – Best Lawyers’ 2014 Litigation - Construction "Lawyer of the Year."

Only a single lawyer in each practice area and designated metropolitan area is honored as the “Lawyer of the Year.” Lawyers being honored as “Lawyer of the Year” are selected based on particularly high voting averages received during the peer-review assessments *Best Lawyers* conducts with thousands of lawyers each year. Receiving this designation reflects the high level of respect a lawyer has earned among other lawyers in the same communities and the same practice areas for their abilities, their professionalism, and their integrity.

About Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.

Founded in 1938, Snell & Wilmer is a full-service business law firm with more than 400 attorneys practicing in nine locations throughout the western United States and in Mexico, including Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona; Los Angeles and Orange County, California; Denver, Colorado; Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada; Salt Lake City, Utah; and Los Cabos, Mexico. The firm represents clients ranging from large, publicly traded corporations to small businesses, individuals and entrepreneurs. For more information, visit www.swlaw.com.

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