

VOLUNTEER LAWYERS PROGRAM AWARDS JILL CASSON OWEN AS OUTSTANDING PRO BONO ATTORNEY OF THE MONTH

TUCSON (November 6, 2014) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that <u>Jill Casson Owen</u>, counsel in the firm's Tucson office, has been selected by the Volunteer Lawyers Program (VLP) as the Outstanding Pro Bono Attorney of the Month for November 2014.

The award recognizes extraordinary contributions by an attorney in making legal services available to persons who otherwise could not afford them. Owen was presented with the award at the VLP's Awards Luncheon on November 5.

The VLP of Southern Arizona Legal Aid, Inc. matches attorneys who wish to do pro bono work with lowincome clients in need of civil legal assistance, aiming to bring hope and justice to those who are less fortunate. Every year, 1,200 attorneys and law students volunteer through the VLP and give the generous gift of time, service and expertise to thousands of Arizonans who would not otherwise have access to justice.

In addition to her services with the VLP, Owen is vice chair for the Northwest YMCA Board of Managers. At Snell & Wilmer, Owen has a diverse real estate, general corporate law and business transactional practice, providing advice to public and private entities and individuals. She also advises clients on a variety of federal, state and local regulatory compliance matters. Owen earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Arizona College of Pharmacy and received her J.D., summa cum laude, from the University of Arizona's James E. Rogers College of Law.

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