

**ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE OF SNELL & WILMER  
WELCOMES THREE NEW ATTORNEYS**

**ORANGE COUNTY (January 6, 2015)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that three attorneys, [Leslie Barron](#), [Tony Carucci](#) and [David Hansen](#), have joined the firm’s Orange County office. The attorneys come from varied backgrounds and will enhance the firm’s capabilities in a number of different practice areas including commercial litigation and product liability litigation. They, along with [Claire Edwards](#) who joined the firm earlier in 2014, were recently admitted to the California State Bar and sworn in on December 18, 2014 by former Snell & Wilmer partner, Justice Raymond J. Ikola.

Justice Ikola conducted the swearing in ceremony at Snell & Wilmer’s Orange County office on December 18, 2014.



Leslie Barron concentrates her practice in commercial litigation. A former Snell & Wilmer summer associate, she has also worked as a research assistant for Professor Lois Cox at University of Iowa College of Law and as a law clerk for the Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County. Barron earned her B.A. in Political Science highest distinction and in Spanish magna cum laude at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She received her J.D. with distinction from the University of Iowa College of Law where she was a student writer and contributing editor of Iowa Law Review. She was active in Pro Bono Society and Phi Delta Phi Legal Honor Society, where she held leadership positions including philanthropy chair. Barron also demonstrated her community involvement as an active volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters as a school buddy for the organization.

Tony Carucci focuses his practice in commercial litigation. He has previous experience as a Snell & Wilmer summer associate and as a Legal Intern for Notre Dame Economic Justice Project, where he represented low-income clients in consumer law cases. Tony earned his B.A. in International Relations and Philosophy magna cum laude from Tufts University where he played Varsity Men’s Tennis. He earned his J.D. cum laude from Notre Dame Law School and was the recipient of the Dean Konop Legal Aid Award and two Dean’s Awards: Legal Research and Writing II – Moot Court, and Intensive Trial Advocacy. While at Notre Dame Law School, Tony also served as the executive note editor for the Journal of Legislation and as a research assistant to Professor Jay Tidmarsh.

Claire Edwards concentrates her practice in the areas of commercial finance and real estate. Her experience includes representing financial institutions, fund and developers in the sale, acquisition, development and financing of commercial and multifamily properties. Edwards earned her B.A. in Sociology from University of California, San Diego and her J.D. cum laude from Temple University, Beasley School of Law.

David Hansen concentrates his practice in product liability litigation. He has previous experience as a Snell & Wilmer summer associate and as a judicial extern for the Honorable Julia W. Brand in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California. Hansen earned his B.A. in Economics cum laude from California State University, Long Beach and his J.D. from UCLA School of Law where he served as chief submissions editor for the UCLA Entertainment Law Review. Prior to attending law school, he worked in the aftermarket automotive parts industry, where he assisted manufacturers, foreign and domestic, in the development and certification of their collision replacement parts. Active in the community, he has served on the Board of Directors for the Boys and Girls Club of Cypress. Also, he has lived in Mexico and is fluent in Spanish.

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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 Orange County and Los Angeles, California; Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona; 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 and celebrates 25 years in Southern California. For more information, visit [www.swlaw.com](http://www.swlaw.com).

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