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**SNELL & WILMER PARTNER M.C. SUNGAILA HONORED WITH
CALIFORNIA LAWYER ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR AWARD**

ORANGE COUNTY (February 19, 2015) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Orange County and Los Angeles appellate partner [M.C. Sungaila](#) will be honored with a California Lawyer Attorney of the Year (CLAY) award by California Lawyer Magazine. Along with trial counsel Elizabeth Kolar of Kolar & Associates, she is recognized in the category of franchise law for receiving a 4-3 ruling from the California Supreme Court that franchisors are not automatically liable for the actions of their franchisees' employees. The recipients will be featured in the March 2015 issue of California Lawyer Magazine.

California Lawyer magazine is honoring 62 attorneys across the state for work with significant impact over the past year on the law, the profession, a particular industry or the general good of the public. This year's CLAY awards recognize 27 achievements between November 2013 and November 2014 in 17 areas of legal practice. Honorees include prosecutors, defense attorneys, intellectual property practitioners, public-interest lawyers and appellate experts.

At Snell & Wilmer, Ms. Sungaila has consistently briefed and argued appeals raising cutting-edge core business issues, and has helped secure important rights for women and girls, nationally and internationally. Twice named a "Notable Appellate Practitioner" by Chambers, she is described by clients in one Chambers listing as a "gifted appellate lawyer who consistently delivers bottom line results." Clients call on her to craft winning approaches to emerging legal issues across multiple cases and jurisdictions. Clients also value her strategic approach during pretrial and trial consultations in cases where an appeal by either side appears inevitable or a "key case" outcome might impact a whole series of cases for a client.

About Snell & Wilmer

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