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## SNELL & WILMER ATTORNEY DAVID NIGRO APPOINTED TO ARIZONA STATE SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**PHOENIX (January 04, 2016)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Phoenix attorney <u>David P. Nigro</u> has been appointed by the governor to the Arizona State Schools for the Deaf and Blind (<u>ASDB</u>) Board of Directors.

The ASDB was founded in 1912 – the year of Arizona's statehood. ASDB serves over 1,800 children who are blind/visually impaired or deaf/hearing impaired from birth to grade 12. ASDB operates two schools for the deaf, one school for the blind and five regional cooperatives. ASDB is dedicated to empowering students with the educational opportunities necessary to succeed in college, career and life. The ASDB Board consists of the governor, as an ex officio nonvoting member, the superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee, one member from the commission for the deaf and the hard of hearing, one member from the governor's council on blindness and visual impairment and six appointive members.



David P. Nigro

This appointment will complement Mr. Nigro's work as a member of the Foundation for Blind Children's Board of Directors. At Snell & Wilmer, Mr. Nigro's practice encompasses all aspects of intellectual property law, including advising clients in patent and trademark prosecutions, patent and trademark litigation and adversarial administrative proceedings, and transactions involving intellectual property. Mr. Nigro has experience in a variety of industries and technologies, including aerospace systems, chemical processes and compositions, seed and plant biotechnology, organic chemistry, composite materials, ceramics, information technologies, and renewable/sustainable technologies. After graduating from Duke University, Mr. Nigro worked as an application developer in the information technology field prior to attending law school at Arizona State University.

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