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SNELL & WILMER ATTORNEYS PLAY INTEGRAL ROLE AT 2016 ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT

PHOENIX (August 22, 2016) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce it had a strong presence at the [2016 Environmental and Sustainability Summit](#) in Prescott, Arizona. The annual summit, hosted by the Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry and the Arizona Manufacturers Council, attracts leading environmental experts from Arizona and the Southwestern United States. The Summit covers significant areas of environmental, energy and sustainability affecting practices, law, policy, regulation and legislation impacting industry. Attorneys in the firm had a significant role in the development of this most recognized program for over 15 years. One partner with a planning role in the Summit, [Lucas J. Narducci](#), serves on the Executive Committee and Board of Directors of the Arizona Manufacturers Council and also serves as Vice Chair of the Environmental Committee of the Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry. [Amanda A. Reeve](#), the firm's Environment and Regulatory Affairs Policy Advisor and a former member in the Arizona House of Representatives and Chair of the House Environment Committee, currently serves as the Vice Chair of the Air Quality Subcommittee of the Environmental Committee of the Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry. This year's Summit attendees were educated by and able to hear from some of the key regulators, industry leaders and legislators on a state and federal level. Attendees were honored to hear from U.S. Senator Jeff Flake and have him introduce keynote speaker Arizona Attorney General Mark Brnovich.

At this year's Summit, Reeve was the master of ceremonies. She also played a pivotal role in developing the overall topics and schedule of speakers for the summit. Reeve provided an overview of the past year's actions in air quality and spoke about what to expect for the upcoming year. Snell & Wilmer attorneys [Mitchell J. Klein](#) and [Megan H. Tracy](#) spoke on public records requests, which includes the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) as well as states' public records laws, and how these laws can have an impact on various environmental disputes. Klein and Tracy have extensive experience with public records requests and provided the secrets behind filing the most effective request, how the government may use exemptions to withhold certain information subject to a request, and different approaches to handling a dispute with the government regarding a public records request. The ability to access public records and understand the bounds of the exemptions can significantly help businesses defend themselves in civil litigation and administrative matters. Having served many years as an Assistant Attorney General, Klein also shared his insight on how the government reviews and responds to such requests. Klein has over 30 years of trial experience and counsels clients in a wide variety of environmental and natural resource legal issues. Tracy's practice is focused in environmental litigation and environmental and natural resources compliance and regulation.

Snell & Wilmer's [Environmental and Natural Resources practice group](#) represents many different industries, including high technology, manufacturing, financial institutions, real estate developers, large electric utilities, pipeline companies, health service providers and equipment rental businesses. The group is well-versed in federal, state, regional and local regulatory and liability issues, and understands the importance of remaining current on the many changes taking place in environmental law. The group maintains good relationships with the regulatory decision-makers and stays updated on all aspects of environmental and natural resource-related issues.



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