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FORMER CITY ATTORNEY SCOTT MARTINEZ JOINS SNELL & WILMER'S DENVER OFFICE

Martinez will head the office's new Government Affairs, Regulatory and Administrative Law practice.

DENVER (February 1, 2017) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that [Scott Martinez](#), former Denver City Attorney, has joined the firm's Denver office as a partner. Deepening its commitment to Denver, Snell & Wilmer tapped Martinez to lead the office's new Government Relations, Regulatory and Administrative Law practice. Martinez will leverage his extensive public sector experience and expertise to help businesses work with government agencies and officials and navigate complex regulatory environments.

Martinez was appointed City Attorney by Mayor Michael B. Hancock. In that position, he managed one of the largest legal teams in Colorado, with more than 100 attorneys and 90 staff members, which supported the mayor, auditor, City Council, and all Denver City agencies, departments, boards and commissions. Before his tenure with the City and County of Denver, Martinez worked in both the private and public sector, including as a legal advisor on both Clinton-Kaine campaign and the Obama-Biden presidential transition teams.



Scott Martinez

At Snell & Wilmer, Martinez will draw upon his significant experience to help clients interpret and navigate government action, solve local and state regulatory challenges, and realize opportunities through interaction with government officials. Since his tenure with the City and County of Denver, his advice and guidance have been sought by a number of business and industry leaders with regard to the interplay between commerce and government in Denver's rapidly expanding economy.

"Growing Snell & Wilmer's Denver presence and developing a new practice area was an opportunity I could not pass up," Martinez said. "I'm looking forward to building upon my experience in both the public and private sectors to support the firm's commitment to the Denver market and community."

"We are very pleased that Scott recognizes our commitment to Denver and our desire to become a leading firm in the market," said Curt Reimann, the managing partner of Snell & Wilmer's Denver office. "Scott brings a unique skill set to our office and our firm and his commitment to not only being a leader in the legal community, but in the community as a whole, is consistent with our firm culture."

Martinez' work in the community includes serving on the Board of Directors of the Government Entrepreneurship Leadership Accelerator and the Board of Directors of the White Center for the Study of American Constitutional Law at the University of Colorado Law School. Additionally, he serves as a mentor with LAW SCHOOL...Yes We Can, a program supporting high-achieving, first-year college students from diverse backgrounds.

"I wanted to partner with a law firm that shared my values and commitment to the community and its citizens," Martinez said. "Snell and Wilmer's history as a leading firm in many of its markets is attractive

because I understand and see the firm's commitment to Denver, and its desire to be a leading firm both in the legal market and the greater Denver community.”

Martinez adds to the Denver office's existing commitment to social responsibility and community engagement. The office is actively involved in many prominent organizations, including Great Outdoors Colorado, through Jason Brinkley who currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and The Colorado Health Foundation, through Jessica Yates who currently serves on the Board of Directors. Other members of the Denver office are actively involved in the Colorado Sports Hall of Fame, Boys and Girls Club of Metro Denver, and the Denver Art Museum.

Martinez received his bachelor's degree in International Affairs from the University of Colorado, and his juris doctorate from the University of San Diego, School of Law. He was named the National Latino Lawyer of the Year by the Hispanic National Bar Association (2014), the Chris Miranda Outstanding Lawyer of the Year by the Colorado Hispanic Bar Association (2016), Law Week's Lawyer of the Year (2014), Alumni of the Year by the University of San Diego, School of Law (2015) and the winner of the University of Colorado Law School's Dean King's "Pay it Forward" Award (2012).

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