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## SNELL & WILMER CHAIR MATTHEW P. FEENEY JOINS GREATER PHOENIX LEADERSHIP

**PHOENIX (October 25, 2017)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that [Matthew P. Feeney](#), chair of the firm, has joined [Greater Phoenix Leadership](#) (GPL).

The mission of GPL is to improve the greater Phoenix area and the State of Arizona by bringing together talent, resources and leadership to create action on priority issues. Over 40 years ago, three Phoenix businessmen, including one of Snell & Wilmer's founders, Frank Snell, convened the State's top business and civic leaders to address major issues facing the community. The group prioritized transportation, crime and education as the most pressing issues. Some of GPL's most noteworthy accomplishments are the establishment of the Silent Witness Program, the creation of Phoenix Civic Plaza, founding Valley Leadership, assisting in bringing the NFL Arizona Cardinals from St. Louis in 1988, leading the effort to fund freeway and regional transportation, and helping to establish the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday in 1992. GPL has been a consistent leader in education, most notably in helping to pass Prop 301 to finance and improve K-12 and higher education, developing the plan for an integrated P-20 education pipeline, assisting in implementing a statewide full-day kindergarten, developing the state robotics championships for high schools and leading the business efforts to pass new laws to master 3rd grade reading before moving on to 4th grade. GPL also helped to create and fund First Things First, Science Foundation Arizona and Global Pathways Institute at Skysong.



Matthew P. Feeney

At Snell & Wilmer, Feeney's practice is concentrated in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, securities offerings, SEC reporting and compliance, and corporate governance matters, including advising corporate boards and board committees. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, from the University of Notre Dame and his law degree, magna cum laude, from Notre Dame Law School.

Throughout the course of his career, Feeney has been recognized for professional and community service excellence. Among his many professional awards, Feeney has consistently been recognized by The Best Lawyers in America® (including Lawyer of the Year, Securities Law/Capital Markets Law (2015), Lawyer of the Year, Corporate Governance Law (2016) and Lawyer of the Year, Mergers & Acquisitions Law (2012)); Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business; and Southwest Super Lawyers.

Feeney has also been involved in numerous civic and charitable organizations. In addition to helping develop a formal pro bono policy for Snell & Wilmer in the late 1980s under which attorneys receive billable hour credit for legal services to the poor, Feeney is a founding board member and former chair of St. Joseph the Worker, an organization that provides job development services to assist homeless, low-income and other disadvantaged individuals. He also served as a board member and president of the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education, which was created by the State Bar of Arizona to promote access to justice for all Arizonans. Feeney was also honored in 2014 by the American Jewish Committee with the Judge Learned Hand Community Service Award. He was recognized for demonstrating sustained contributions to the advancement of equality and democratic principles. Feeney serves on the Board of Directors of the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Directors of the Musical Instrument Museum, the world's only global musical instrument museum. He is also a member on the Board of the Sandra Day O'Connor Institute and on the Notre Dame Law School Advisory Council.

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