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ICANN APPOINTS PHOENIX PARTNER DAMON ASHCRAFT AS NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR FOR 2019

PHOENIX (September 28, 2018) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Phoenix partner [Damon Ashcraft](#) has been appointed by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Board of Directors to chair the ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom). Ashcraft was first appointed to the NomCom in 2016 as the delegate for the Intellectual Property Constituency of ICANN. The NomCom, which appoints 50 percent of ICANN's Board of Directors and other key leadership positions within ICANN, travels to ICANN Public Meetings around the globe; the most recent of which was to Panama City, Panama where the selection of all 2018 open ICANN leadership positions was finalized by the NomCom at ICANN62.



Damon Ashcraft

ICANN is a not-for-profit public-benefit corporation with participants from all over the world dedicated to keeping the Internet secure, stable and interoperable. It promotes competition and develops policy on the Internet's unique identifiers. Through its coordination role of the Internet's naming system, it does have an important impact on the expansion and evolution of the Internet.

At Snell & Wilmer, Ashcraft assists clients in identifying, protecting, and maximizing the value of their intellectual property. In that regard, he has experience conducting intellectual property audits, preparing patent and trademark applications, preparing intellectual property and software license agreements, and handling various intellectual property litigation matters, including actions for patent infringement. Ashcraft has a keen understanding of the needs of emerging companies and is often called upon to identify and protect and monetize a company's intellectual property assets. Further, Ashcraft often is called upon to provide training to clients' employees in identifying valuable intellectual property.

Ashcraft has experience in domestic and foreign trademark registration and currently manages numerous trademark portfolios. Further, he enforces and defends clients' trademark rights before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board and in various federal and state courts. Ashcraft has represented trademark owners in numerous domain name disputes resolved by the Universal Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy, or "UDRP."

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