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## ARIZONA CAPITOL TIMES RECOGNIZES TWO SNELL & WILMER ATTORNEYS IN ITS INAUGURAL WOMEN ACHIEVERS OF ARIZONA AWARDS

**PHOENIX (October 30, 2019)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Phoenix partner [Heidi McNeil Staudenmaier](#) and associate [Jennifer R. Yee](#) were selected as honorees in Arizona Capitol Times' inaugural [Women Achievers of Arizona](#) awards. Staudenmaier was recognized in the Legal Profession category while Yee was named in the Unsung Heroes category.

This award honors women who excel in their professions and work every day to advance their company, firm or community, and in doing so, make a difference in the lives of Arizonans. These honorees were recognized on October 29 at the Phoenix Art Museum.



Heidi McNeil Staudenmaier and Jennifer R. Yee at the October 29 awards event



Heidi McNeil Staudenmaier

Staudenmaier was recognized for her numerous contributions and accomplishments in the Phoenix community as well as on a national level. She is a finalist for the 2019 Greater Phoenix Chamber Athena Awards. She is Past President of the Maricopa County Bar Association and will be inducted into the MCBA Hall of Fame in November. Staudenmaier is the 2019 recipient of the American Bar Association's Jean Allard Glass Cutter Award, which is awarded annually to a woman who has cut through barriers to attain high accomplishment in business law. She is the only Arizona attorney to ever receive this high honor. She is a member of the ABA Business Law Section's Executive Council, past Chair of the Business & Corporate Litigation Committee, and past Editor-in-Chief of *Business Law Today*. Staudenmaier has served on the University of Iowa College of Law

Foundation Board of Directors for 15 years and was the recipient of the 2019 Iowa College of Law Alumni Service Award. She is Past President (and only woman to date) of the International Masters of Gaming Law and Past Chair of the State Bar of Arizona Indian Law Section.

Staudenmaier is nationally recognized in the areas of Native American Law, Gaming Law, and Business Litigation, and has been listed for many years in *The Best Lawyers in America*. She was named "Phoenix Lawyer of the Year" by *Best Lawyers in America* for both Native American Law and Gaming Law on multiple occasions. She represents tribes, tribal entities and businesses who engage in commercial transactions with tribes and tribal entities.

Yee was recognized for her commitment to diversity and inclusion on the Snell & Wilmer Hiring Committee and for her efforts encouraging youth through Kiwanis International. She is also a finalist for the 2019 Greater Phoenix Chamber Athena Awards in the Young Professionals category. At Snell & Wilmer, Yee's practice is concentrated in labor and employment law and commercial litigation. Her litigation experience includes federal and state court



Jennifer R. Yee

practice in a variety of employment-related issues. She has assisted her clients in defending against wage and hour, discrimination, harassment and retaliation claims under the FLSA, Title VII, ADA, FMLA, ADEA, USERRA, the Arizona Wage Act, the Arizona Employment Protection Act, the Arizona Civil Rights Act and other state and federal laws. She also assists employers with respect to investigations by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Department of Labor and the NLRB. In addition, Yee drafts employment-related agreements, handbooks, and policies and has worked with employers to enforce non-competition and confidentiality agreements.

Yee advises clients on a wide variety of compliance issues under federal, state and local regulations. She has counseled large and small employers regarding their obligations under the NLRA, FLSA, Title VII, ADA, FMLA, ADEA, USERRA, EPA, WARN Act, FCRA, the Arizona Wage Act, the Arizona Employment Protection Act, the Arizona Civil Rights Act and other state and federal laws. Yee feels privileged to provide pro bono counseling services through the Volunteer Lawyers Program and service to the community through Kiwanis International.

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