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**FRANCHISE TIMES WELCOMES SNELL & WILMER PARTNER  
ELIZABETH M. WELDON INTO THE LEGAL EAGLE HALL OF FAME**

**ORANGE COUNTY (April 2, 2020)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that partner [Elizabeth M. Weldon](#) has been named as a 2020 Legal Eagle by Franchise Times for the tenth consecutive year, marking her induction into the Legal Eagle Hall of Fame.

[Franchise Times® Legal Eagles](#) is an annual list featuring the industry’s top lawyers, the rainmakers, the go-to attorneys, adversaries and clients alike. The list is built with nominations and recommendations from clients, peers and other legal professionals. This year, Franchise Times welcomes Weldon as one of seven new members into the Hall of Fame, a designation reserved for the best franchise attorneys in the industry.



Elizabeth M. Weldon

“Elizabeth is an outstanding attorney and a leader in franchising matters,” said Ketan Vakil, managing partner of Snell & Wilmer’s Orange County office. “She is a leader at our firm and in our community. We’re really excited for Elizabeth and this honor.”

Weldon is a Certified Specialist in Franchise and Distribution Law, The State Bar of California, Board of Legal Specialization. She concentrates her practice on business litigation and franchise litigation. Weldon represents both large and small businesses and franchisors in commercial litigation matters, including breach of contract, tort, class action, business competition, franchise, trademark and trade dress claims.

In the community, Weldon has been involved with Girls Incorporated® of Orange County for more than nine years, serving on the Board of Directors from 2011 to 2019 and as President of the board from 2016 to 2017. She has been selected for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America®, Franchise Law (2016-2020) and the Southern California Super Lawyers - Rising Stars Edition, Franchise/Dealership, Business Litigation, Intellectual Property Litigation (2007-2016). Weldon is an active member of the American Bar Association Forum on Franchising and is a current member of the Forum’s Governing Committee and the current Finance Officer. Additionally, Weldon has been invited to speak at events sponsored by the ABA Forum on Franchising and the International Franchise Association on multiple occasions. She has been published as a chapter author in *The Annotated Franchise Agreement* and as a co-author of *2018 Annual Developments* for the ABA Forum on Franchising.

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