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SNELL & WILMER SELECTED AS A FINALIST FOR SAN DIEGO BUSINESS JOURNAL'S 2020 CORPORATE & SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY | DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION AWARDS

SAN DIEGO (November 23, 2020) – Snell & Wilmer is proud to be a finalist for the [San Diego Business Journal's 2020 Corporate & Social Responsibility | Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Awards](#). These awards are designed to recognize the significant accomplishments of those who embrace corporate and social responsibility, diversity, equity and inclusion in the San Diego area. Snell & Wilmer is a finalist in the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion category. Winners will be announced at the [virtual event](#) on December 10, 2020.

“As a child and grandchild of Cuban refugees, I am proud to be part of a firm that values the many identities and backgrounds of our attorneys and staff,” stated San Diego partner, [Steffi Hafen](#). “As our office grows, we strive to continue to create a space of openness and understanding. We are honored to be recognized among the many businesses doing their part to enrich the San Diego community.”

Snell & Wilmer seeks to attract, recruit, develop and retain the best talent by celebrating the unique identities of individuals, developing awareness through education and creating an inclusive culture of belonging. At all levels, the firm is focused, engaged, and vested in fostering “One Community, Identity of Many.” The firm is committed to employing diversity and inclusion strategies that achieve results.

Snell & Wilmer invests significant resources, time and effort into the firm's diversity & inclusion initiatives, not only because it is the right thing to do, but also because the firm recognize the importance and impact of these initiatives within the broader community. [Joann Thach, the firm's Director of Diversity, Inclusion & Community Outreach](#), oversees the firm's commitment to expanding and supporting diversity, fostering an inclusive culture and supporting initiatives that positively impact the greater community.

“It is energizing to be recognized by the SDBJ for our actions, values and initiatives, especially in a region where our presence is new,” Thach said. “As we grow in the San Diego area, we will continue to focus on creating a community where people feel welcomed, heard and valued.”

The San Diego office is the firm's third location in California and was established in April 2020 to meet the growing needs of its clients in the region. Located in one of the top biotech centers in the United States, the office focuses on biotech intellectual property, as well as tax, private client services, and labor and employment services to a wide range of individuals, businesses, and industries.

About Snell & Wilmer

Founded in 1938, Snell & Wilmer is a full-service business law firm with more than 450 attorneys practicing in 15 locations throughout the United States and in Mexico, including Los Angeles, Orange County and San Diego, California; Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona; Denver, Colorado; Washington, D.C.; Boise, Idaho; Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Portland, Oregon; Salt Lake City, Utah; Seattle, Washington; and Los Cabos, Mexico. The firm represents clients ranging from large, publicly traded corporations to small businesses, individuals and entrepreneurs. For more information, visit www.swlaw.com.

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