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SNELL & WILMER PARTNER JEFFREY D. MORTON RECOGNIZED AS PATENT LEADER BY WORLD IP REVIEW

SAN DIEGO (May 5, 2021) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that [Jeffrey D. Morton, Ph.D.](#), a partner in the firm's San Diego and Phoenix offices, has been selected as a Patent Leader in [WIPR Leaders 2021](#). He is the sole patent attorney listed for the State of Arizona.

[WIPR Leaders](#) is a guide to the world's top intellectual property lawyers in the areas of patents and trademarks. Stemming from a four-month nomination period in which WIPR sought views from 12,000 IP professionals and vetted every nominated lawyer for suitability by exploring their work. They look at practice history, industry expertise and notable cases, as well as any additional activities, such as writing and teaching responsibilities, which have allowed the lawyers to shape and influence other and future IP practitioners.



Jeffrey D. Morton, Ph.D.

Morton has over 15 years of experience representing both start-up and large enterprises for their intellectual property, technology and commercial law needs. He is retained on a regular basis to serve as external IP/technology counsel to companies around the world, and also represents numerous leading international law firms to protect their clients' intellectual property rights in the United States. His practice focuses on all aspects of intellectual property and technology law, with particular experience in the life sciences industry. Morton has significant patent prosecution experience in a wide range of technologies, including immunotherapeutics for treating diabetes, HIV and cancer, and DNA sequencing methods and related devices. He earned a J.D. from the University of British Columbia Faculty of Law and has a Ph.D. in immunology from Washington University School of Medicine.

As demonstrated by his inclusion as the sole patent attorney listed for the State of Arizona, Morton continues to maintain an ongoing presence in Arizona, even after relocating to California in 2020 to lead the opening of the firm's newest office in San Diego. He is committed to serving clients and communities in both California and Arizona.

Snell & Wilmer's San Diego office 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 biotechnology law, as well as tax, intellectual property, private client services, corporate and securities, real estate, commercial finance and labor and employment services to a wide range of individuals, businesses, and industries.

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