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News Release

FOUR SNELL & WILMER PARTNERS SELECTED AS FINALISTS FOR SAN DIEGO BUSINESS JOURNAL LEADERS IN LAW AWARDS 2021

SAN DIEGO (November 1, 2021) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that partners [Steffi Gascón Hafen](#), [Monique Lashbrook](#), [Bardia Moayedi](#) and [Jeffrey D. Morton, Ph.D., P.C.](#) have been named finalists in [San Diego Business Journal's Leaders in Law Awards 2021](#). This list annually recognizes the accomplishments of outstanding legal professionals in the San Diego business community.

Hafen is a founding partner of the San Diego office, and is a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law, California Board of Legal Specialization. She is a partner in the firm's Private Client Services and General Federal Tax practice groups. Hafen's practice is concentrated in tax, trust, and estate matters with emphasis in estate planning, trust and probate administration, and estate and gift taxation. She received her L.L.M. in Taxation from Loyola Law School, her J.D. from the University of Southern California, Gould School of Law, and her B.A. from University of California, Santa Barbara.

Lashbrook is a real estate partner who focuses her practice on real estate, corporate and commercial finance-related matters and transactions. She has extensive experience handling real estate acquisitions and dispositions, joint ventures, commercial mortgage financing, commercial leasing for industrial and retail spaces, and property management matters. Lashbrook also has experience in connection with mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, corporate entity documents and consents, private placement memorandums and Regulation D securities offerings, as well as nondisclosure agreements. She received her J.D. from University of Illinois, College of Law, her M.B.A. from Saint Ambrose University, and her B.A. from University of California, Los Angeles.

Moayedi is a corporate and securities partner and co-chair of the firm's Technology Industry Group, with a primary emphasis on advising emerging growth and public companies throughout their life cycles, particularly in the life sciences, high-technology, financial technology, food and beverage, and clean-technology industries. He has significant experience representing companies and financial firms in a broad range of general corporate governance and transactional matters, including venture capital financings, mergers and acquisitions, debt offerings, spin-offs/divestitures, joint ventures, IPOs, follow-on offerings, and tender offers. He is a trusted advisor, often serving as the go-to outside counsel or lead counsel to his clients. He received his J.D. from University of San Diego School of Law and his B.A. from University of California, Los Angeles.

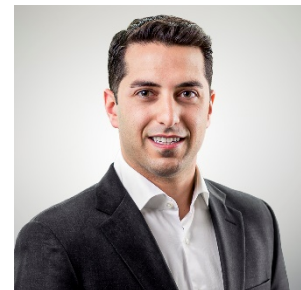
Morton is a founding partner of the San Diego office, and co-chairs the firm's Life Sciences and Medical Technology, and Technology Industry Groups. He has over 15 years of experience representing both start-up and large enterprises



Steffi Gascón Hafen



Monique Lashbrook



Bardia Moayedi



Jeffrey D. Morton, Ph.D.

for their intellectual property 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. 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 received his J.D. from the University of British Columbia Faculty of Law and his Ph.D. in immunology from Washington University School of Medicine.

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 representing biotechnology and technology clients on corporate and securities, intellectual property, real estate, tax, private client services, commercial finance and labor and employment matters as well as serving a wide range of individuals, businesses, and industries. To accommodate the significant growth in the office, the San Diego office recently moved to 3655 Nobel Drive, Suite 600, San Diego, California 92122.

About Snell & Wilmer

Founded in 1938, Snell & Wilmer is a full-service business law firm with more than 450 attorneys practicing in 16 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; Dallas, Texas; 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 swlaw.com.

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