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# News Release

## EXPERIENCED REAL ESTATE ATTORNEY SASAN K. BEHNOOD JOINS SNELL & WILMER'S ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE

**ORANGE COUNTY (January 12, 2022)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to welcome experienced real estate counsel Sasan K. Behnood to the Orange County office.

"We are thrilled to have Sasan join our office," said Jonathan E. Frank, co-chair of the firm's Real Estate practice group. "His professional background, skillset and work experience will help strengthen our team and allow us to better serve our clients."

Behnood concentrates his practice in sophisticated real estate transactions, including the acquisition, development, leasing and financing of real estate throughout the United States. Behnood's current and previous clients include some of the largest developers, real estate holders and financial institutions in the country.

As a former executive vice president and general counsel for a prominent national real estate lender, Behnood brings extensive industry and legal experience across the spectrum of secured real estate finance and loan origination matters including: acquisition financing, construction financing, ground lease financing, and mezzanine financing.

More than financial transactions, Behnood also brings extensive experience in complex real estate dispositions, acquisitions, leasing and development transactions. Drawing on over a decade's experience, he represents some of the largest developers, tenants and investors in the nation. Behnood counsels investors, developers, retailers, landlord, tenants, joint ventures, funds and REITs, in the sale, leasing and development of virtually every type of real estate including commercial, retail, shopping center, industrial, residential, PUD and office properties, as well as raw land, while navigating through complex title, regulatory, and environmental issues along the way.

Behnood's practice emphasizes practical deal terms, and avoiding the pitfalls of over-lawyering, to help deliver to his clients well-crafted deals that make sense.

Behnood received his J.D. from Loyola Law School, Los Angeles and his B.S. from the University of California, Riverside. He obtained his real estate broker's license in 2021. Behnood joins Snell & Wilmer from Karavas Kiely Schloss & Whitman LLP.

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