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## Joyce K. Wright

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### Main Bio

Joyce Wright is a Certified Real Estate Law Specialist engaged in all areas of real estate practice, including master planned developments, resort, hotel and golf course developments, subdivisions, leases, options, restrictive covenants and easements. Her practice also covers representation regarding purchase, sale, ground-lease and development transactions involving large tracks of undeveloped land, golf, resort and hotel properties, public utility, energy and telecommunication facilities, retail, office, industrial, manufacturing, residential and mixed-use projects, historic and redevelopment projects, low income housing projects, tax credit projects, educational facilities, agricultural and ranch land, mining and natural resource transactions and public-private partnership transactions. Joyce's expertise also includes state and federal land transactions, title examinations, title insurance and escrow claims, condemnation matters and dispute resolution, real estate finance, structure and negotiation of joint venture and entity agreements, lease transactions, nonprofit owners associations, corporate law, hospitality law, land use entitlement and planning and development and economic incentive agreements.

Joyce is a practice group leader of the Real Estate, Commercial Finance, Environmental and Energy Practice Group of Snell & Wilmer.

### Education

- Arizona State University, College of Law (J.D., cum laude, 1981)
- University of Arizona (B.A., 1977)

### Professional Memberships & Activities

- State Bar of Arizona
  - Real Estate Advisory Commission, Board Member (2005-2011)
  - Real Property Section (Real Estate Law Certified Specialist)
  - Corporate, Banking, and Business Law Section
- American Bar Association
  - Corporation, Banking, and Business Law Section
  - Real Property, Tax, and Probate Law Section
- Maricopa County Bar Association
- Arizona Women Lawyers Association

- National Network of Commercial Real Estate Women
- Arizona Commercial Real Estate Women

## Representative Presentations & Publications

- "[Joyce Wright: The Wright Way](#)," Profiled, Attorney at Law Magazine 2018 Women in Law Edition (October 2018)

## Professional Recognition & Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America<sup>®</sup>, Real Estate Law (2005-2020)
  - Phoenix Lawyer of the Year, Real Estate Law (2016)
- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business<sup>®</sup>, Real Estate (2003-2019)
- Southwest Super Lawyers<sup>®</sup>, Real Estate (2007-2019)
  - Top 25 Female Lawyers in Arizona (2018)
- Top 100 Lawyers in Arizona, AZ Business Magazine (2019)
- Peer Review Rated AV Preeminent, Martindale-Hubbell<sup>®</sup>
- Arizona's Finest Lawyers
- Greater Phoenix Attorney at Law Magazine feature story, "[The Women of Snell & Wilmer](#)" (December 2009)

## Community Involvement

- Maricopa County Volunteer Lawyers Program
- Homeward Bound
  - Board of Directors

## Other Professional Experience

- Arizona Court of Appeals, Judicial Clerk to Chief Judge Laurence T. Wren (1981-1982)

## Bar Admissions

- Arizona

## Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona
- United States District Court, District of Arizona