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VALLEY PARTNERSHIP WELCOMES HEIDI MCNEIL STAUDENMAIER AS PRESENTER ON STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES & THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

PHOENIX (July 29, 2015) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Phoenix partner <u>Heidi McNeil</u> <u>Staudenmaier</u> was recently featured at a Valley Partnership event where she, along with other knowledgeable panelists, provided an update on the Gila River Indian Community's development plans for future growth and expansion on tribal lands, and the benefits of doing business with the Community. Staudenmaier spoke on the topic of "Doing Business with Indian Tribes and Tribal Entities - Legal Issues."

<u>Valley Partnership</u> is the Valley of the Sun's Premier Advocacy Group for Responsible Development. In its representation of the commercial, industrial and master planned real estate development industry, Valley Partnership presents a balanced, pro-development perspective and the Valley's best industry education and networking opportunities. For more than 25 years, Valley Partnership has promoted the interests of the commercial real estate industry and its partners.

Staudenmaier is nationally recognized in the areas of Indian law, gaming law and business litigation. She represents tribes, tribal entities and businesses who engage in business transactions with tribes and tribal entities.



Heidi McNeil Staudenmaier

Staudenmaier is a past president of the International Masters of Gaming Law, a founding member of the Native American Bar Association of Arizona and the executive editor of Gaming Law Review and Economics. She has been recognized by The Best Lawyers in America[®] in the areas of Commercial Litigation, Gaming Law and Native American Law (2005-2015) in addition to being named Phoenix Lawyer of the Year for Native American Law (2015) and Phoenix Gaming Lawyer of the Year (2011) by Best Lawyers. She was also recognized by Southwest Super Lawyers[®] in Native American Law (2014).

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