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## SNELL & WILMER RANKED AS TOP ARIZONA FIRM IN PRIVATE WEALTH LAW BY 2018 CHAMBERS HIGH NET WORTH GUIDE

PHOENIX (August 02, 2018) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that the <a href="Chambers High Net Worth Guide">Chambers High Net Worth Guide</a> (HNW) 2018 has awarded the Arizona office with "Top Ranked-Band 1" practice recognition in Private Wealth Law. Snell & Wilmer is the only Arizona law firm so recognized by Chambers & Partners, an independent rating organization. In addition, three of the firm's estate planning attorneys, <a href="Timothy J. Kay">Timothy J. Kay</a>, <a href="Prescott B. Pohl">Prescott B. Pohl</a>, and <a href="John C. Vryhof">John C. Vryhof</a> were listed as "Ranked Lawyers" in their Arizona and Southern California offices for 2018.

Kay, based in the firm's Orange Country office, is a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law by the California Board of Legal Specialization. He is a partner and co-practice group leader in the firm's Private Client Services practice group. Kay's practice is concentrated in tax, trust, and estate matters with emphasis in estate planning, trust and probate administration, and estate and gift taxation. He employs advanced estate planning techniques, including grantor retained annuity trusts, family partnerships, limited liability companies, charitable remainder trusts, defective grantor trusts and insurance trusts. Kay handles premarital agreements and collaborates with family law lawyers on the intersection of family law and estate planning. His practice also involves trust and estate litigation, including post-death will and trust contests,



Timothy J. Kay

matters determining the potential liability of trustees and other fiduciaries, and the rights of beneficiaries. Kay advises on the creation, qualification and funding of public charities and private foundations as well as assisting with operational issues. According to the Chambers HNW 2018 Guide, his peers regard him as "intelligent and a good practitioner," and one market commentator says he is "very technically sound. He's an attorney I can send anybody to — I don't have to worry about personality or any of the other issues, he's just good with everybody."

Pohl is based in Snell & Wilmer's Phoenix office. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trust & Estate Counsel (ACTEC), and a member of the Executive Council of the Probate and Trust Law Section of the Arizona State Bar. In addition to his Juris Doctor, Pohl has also earned an MBA in finance and a Master of Laws in taxation (LL.M). His practice is concentrated in domestic and international estate planning, private foundations and other charitable planning, closely held businesses, and additional private client matters such as premarital agreements. Pohl frequently lectures to professional audiences on estate planning topics. According to Chambers HNW 2018 Guide, Pohl is a well-regarded member of the Arizona estate planning community. He is described as "very likeable," with one fellow Phoenix trust and estate attorney observing that "he is very personable and a straight-shooter."



Prescott B. Pohl

Vryhof, also based in the Phoenix office, was recognized as a "Band 1" individual attorney in the Chambers HNW 2018 Guide, one of two Arizona practitioners so recognized. Vryhof is also a Fellow of the American College of Trust & Estate Counsel (ACTEC) and a past State Chair. He is a Certified Specialist in Estate and Trust Law and a Certified Specialist in Tax Law by the Arizona State Bar. Vryhof concentrates his practice in estate planning, trust and estate litigation, charitable planning, foundation



John C. Vryhof

and non-profit organizations, business succession planning, and international estate planning. Vryhof frequently presents to professional groups on estate planning issues. According to the Chambers HNW 2018 Guide, John has built a notable practice working with individuals and families, including those with significant closely held businesses. Vryhof works with a range of clients both foreign and national. "He has been absolutely fantastic," enthuses one commentator, explaining: "He really takes a personal interest in his clients; he does the right amount of hand holding and can have the emotional component. He exercises really good judgement." Peers highlight that he is "good draftsman, professional and approachable."

This is the third annual guide to be compiled by Chambers and Partners specifically aimed at the international private wealth market. The guide covers private wealth management advisory and related specialisms in key jurisdictions around the world, featuring many of the top accountancy and tax firms, private banks, wealth management firms and multi-family offices acting for high net worth individuals. The listings are the result of independent research conducted by private wealth researchers who interviewed hundreds of lawyers, family offices, accountancy professionals, tax advisers, bankers, investment managers and high-end real estate agents to get a comprehensive understanding of the private wealth sector in each of the jurisdictions covered.

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