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SNELL & WILMER'S BRIAN BLAYLOCK AND KADE MILLER NAMED FOUNDING MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA-UTAH CHAPTER OF THE ALLIANCE OF MERGER & ACQUISITION ADVISORS®

LAS VEGAS (November 1, 2016) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Brian Blaylock and Kade Miller, attorneys in the firm's Las Vegas office, are founding board members of the Nevada-Utah chapter of the Alliance of Merger & Acquisition Advisors® (the Alliance). The Alliance is the premiere international organization serving the educational and transactional support needs of middle market mergers and acquisitions (M&A) professionals worldwide, according to their website.

Blaylock and Miller join a nine-person board that includes Tony DePasquale of BNY Mellon, Chad Maze of BNY Mellon, John Illes of Merit Harbor, Keith Langlands of Synergy Captive Strategies, David Chavez of Assured Strategies, Michael Woodfield of Bank of Nevada, and Joe Garrett of Rich Wightman & Company. The chapter officially launched on October 1, 2016, and plans to offer a minimum of four educational and networking events per year. The first seminar will be held on November 10 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Morton's Steak House.

"I am excited to work with our fellow board members to launch the Alliance's Nevada-Utah chapter," said Blaylock. "This group will bring together local M&A advisors, bankers, CPAs, consultants, and other deal-making professionals, whose combined knowledge and experience will be valuable resources to practitioners in this field."

"As the economy continues to improve, we are seeing increased M&A activity between sellers, buyers, and lenders," said Miller. "The Alliance will provide middle market M&A professionals with additional educational and networking opportunities that add value to clients and the broader market."



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Formed in 1998, the Alliance currently has more than 1,000 professionals who are among the most highly recognized leaders in the industry, also according to their website. Alliance members represent corporate and institutional sellers and buyers of businesses ranging broadly from \$5 million to \$500 million in transaction value and serve the business investment needs of such middle market companies worldwide. These services include investment banking, accounting, finance, valuation, tax, law, and due diligence.

Blaylock's practice is concentrated in corporate and securities law, with a focus on mergers and acquisitions. A frequent lecturer, Blaylock has presented for the National Business Institute, the Henderson Chamber of Commerce, and the Exit Planning Institute. Blaylock has been recognized by Nevada Business Magazine's Legal Elite as a Top Best Up and Coming Attorney since 2014. He received his J.D., summa cum laude, from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, William S. Boyd School of Law, and his B.A. in Economics, magna cum laude, from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Miller focuses his practice on corporate law, real estate, and tax credit finance. He has presented at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, the National Business Institute, the Henderson Chamber of Commerce, and the Exit Planning Institute. In 2016, Miller was recognized by Nevada Business Magazine's Legal Elite and named a Rising Star by Mountain States Super Lawyers[®]. Miller clerked for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in Salt Lake City, Utah. He received his J.D., cum laude, from Brigham Young

University, J. Reuben Clark Law School, and his M.A. and B.S. in Accountancy from Brigham Young University, Marriott School of Management.

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