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News Release

ERIC S. PEZOLD ASSUMES ROLE OF MANAGING PARTNER FOR SNELL & WILMER'S ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE

ORANGE COUNTY (January 3, 2023) – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Partner [Eric S. Pezold](#) has assumed the role of managing partner for the firm's Orange County office effective January 1, 2023. Pezold succeeds [Ketan S. Vakil](#), who led the Orange County office for the past six years. Vakil remains active in his practice and continues to serve as co-chair of the firm's intellectual property practice group.



Eric S. Pezold

“Over the last six years, Ketan has been an influential office leader, and he will continue to be a trusted colleague and friend,” said Pezold. “I am excited to assume this leadership role and intend to keep the Orange County office on the path to prolonged success.”

“It has been an honor to lead the Orange County office for the past six years,” said Vakil. “I look forward to our next chapter under Eric’s exemplary leadership.”

Pezold, who has been practicing law for nearly 20 years, joined the firm in 2004 as a bankruptcy attorney in the firm’s Phoenix office. He relocated to Orange County in 2007, was admitted to the California bar in 2008, and was elected to the partnership in 2011. He concentrates his practice primarily in bankruptcy, reorganization, creditor's rights, foreclosure, unlawful detainer, receivership, Assignments for the Benefit of Creditors (ABCs), and workout law. Pezold has extensive litigation experience including federal and state court commercial and business litigation. He represents financial institutions, including federal and state chartered banks and credit unions, private investment companies, private investors, public and private companies, special servicers, loan servicers, accounts receivable lenders, commercial and industrial lenders, creditor committees, receivers, trustees, and debtors. He received his J.D., honors, from Rutgers University School of Law and his B.A., summa cum laude, from Arizona State University.

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