

**PRESS RELEASE** 

## Media Turns To Wiley Rein & Fielding's Election Law Lawyers Throughout Presidential Election 2000

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Washington, DC—Wiley Rein & Fielding's election law lawyers answered the call from the media to provide legal opinion and commentary throughout the 2000 presidential election. Attorneys in the firm's premier Election Law practice appeared on numerous radio and television programs and were regularly quoted by newspaper organizations.

Jan Witold Baran, a nationally-known lawyer and head of the firm's Election Law practice, made appearances on *World News Tonight*, *Nightline* and *CNN News* and served as an exclusive consultant to *ABC News*. In addition, other members of WRF's Election Law practice, including veteran litigators Carol Laham and Tom Kirby, contributed to the media's ongoing election commentary.

Highlights of WRF's media appearances are noted below:

## **WRF Partner Jan Baran:**

- Television appearances on Good Morning America, World News Tonight, Special Report Nightline and CNN News, November 9, 2000.
- The Washington Times:
- "Experts See Panel Certifying Electors," November 14, 2000.
- The Washington Times:
- "Florida Court Steps into Legal Quagmire," November 20, 2000.
- Serving as an exclusive consultant with ABC News, Mr. Baran regularly appeared on Good Morning America, World News

## **Practice Areas**

Election Law & Government Ethics

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Tonight with Peter Jennings, Nightline with Ted Koppel, Prime Time, Sunday News and Special Reports.

## **WRF Partner Carol Laham:**

- Fox National News with Brit Hume, November 8, 2000.
- CNN The Spinroom, November 9, 2000.
- Boston's NPR news station WBUR, November 9, 2000.
- NPR Talk of the Nation, November 10, 2000.
- The Boston Globe: "The Bush Gamble; Legal Tack Conflicts with U.S. Courts' Past," November 16, 2000.
- The Florida Times-Union: "Legal Experts Say There's No Clear-cut Answer to Problems," November 12, 2000.

Wiley, Rein & Fielding's Election Law practice serves many of the country's largest corporations and non-profit organizations. The firm's election law attorneys represent public officials, political parties, individual campaign committees and candidates on a number of federal statutes, including the Federal Election Campaign Act, the Ethics in Government Act, the Internal Revenue Code and the Lobbying Disclosure Act, as well as analogous state law and Congressional rules. These laws and rules pertain to political contributions, the operation of political action committees and the use of corporate facilities for political purposes.

Partners in the group have served in a variety of senior government and political positions, as well as authored articles and texts. WRF election law lawyers frequently speak before corporations and at seminars organized by business groups such as the Chamber of Commerce, the American Bar Association, the Practicing Law Institute and Glasser Legal Works.

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