

# Wiley Rein Announces Partner and Of Counsel Promotions for 2019

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Washington, DC—Wiley Rein LLP is pleased to announce the election of new partners – Stephanie M. Bell, Edgar Class, Ari Meltzer, Richard B. O'Keeffe, Jr., and Karen L. Toto – effective January 1, 2019. In addition, the firm has promoted Usha Neelakantan to of counsel.

"This is a particularly strong group of lawyers," said Managing Partner Peter D. Shields. "It is a privilege to welcome them to their new roles. This promotion class reflects our continued commitment to excellence at all levels, and demonstrates the firm's focus on rewarding outstanding client and community service."

## The Firm's Newest Partners

- **Stephanie M. Bell** promoted from associate, is a member of the International Trade Practice
- **Edgar Class**, promoted from of counsel, is a member of the Telecom, Media & Technology Practice
- **Ari Meltzer**, promoted from associate, is a member of the Telecom, Media & Technology Practice
- **Richard B. O'Keeffe, Jr.**, promoted from of counsel, is a member of the Government Contracts Practice
- **Karen L. Toto** promoted from associate, is a member of the Insurance Practice

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## Practice Areas

Government Contracts  
Insurance  
International Trade  
Privacy, Cyber & Data Governance  
Telecom, Media & Technology  
White Collar Defense & Government Investigations

### **The Firm's Newest Of Counsel**

- **Usha Neelakantan**, promoted from associate, is a member of the International Trade Practice

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