



## **RYAN SWANSON HIRES SHANNON J. LAWLESS AS ASSOCIATE**

**Seattle, Wash. (September 12, 2011)** – Ryan Swanson Law announces Shannon J. Lawless as a new associate in the firm’s Litigation Group. She will be a part of the firm's largest and oldest practice group and will work on matters for dispute resolution, including jury and non-jury trials in state and federal courts, regulatory proceedings, arbitration, mediation and appeals. Lawless will be working with the rest of the highly skilled Litigation team members.

“We are quite pleased to have Shannon join our team. She possesses a high level of enthusiasm coupled with strong analytical and problem solving skills,” said Roger Kindley, Chair of Ryan Swanson’s Litigation Group. “Her passion for providing outstanding legal services for a wide variety of clients will make her an invaluable resource for our clients, our business partners and the entire community.”

Most recently Lawless completed a clerkship with Justice Mary Fairhurst of the Washington State Supreme Court. Prior to her clerkship, she worked at Ryan Swanson as a summer associate. Lawless earned her law degree from the University Of Washington School of Law with high honors, in 2010 and her undergraduate degree in English, Spanish and Philosophy from Willamette University in 2007.

Lawless is a member of the King County Washington Women Lawyers and strives to make a positive contribution to all her endeavors. Outside of work, Shannon Lawless enjoys spending time with her husband Paul, and her friends; playing fetch with her dog, Scout; hiking; practicing yoga; and trying new Seattle restaurants.

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