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**Seyfarth Shaw Environmental, Safety and Toxic Torts Practice Group Welcomes
Jacqueline M. Vidmar as Partner**

Chicago, IL (December 13, 2007)—Seyfarth Shaw LLP, one of America’s leading full service law firms, today announced that Jacqueline M. Vidmar has joined the firm’s Environmental, Safety and Toxic Torts Practice Group as a partner. She was previously a partner with Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP.

Vidmar has worked with clients from a wide variety of market sectors, including utilities, energy companies, manufacturers, retailers and property owners. Her practice includes designing and implementing environmental compliance programs, risk analysis and due diligence for corporate and real estate transactions and advising clients on regulatory responsibilities and permitting issues. In addition to over 16 years of experience in the redevelopment of environmentally compromised properties, Vidmar has also defended environmental claims and managed sophisticated Superfund remediation matters.

“Jacquie provides first-class counsel to her clients concerning a wide range of environmental legal matters and she is dedicated to promoting diversity in the legal marketplace,” said Philip L. Comella, Chair of the firm’s Environmental, Safety, and Toxic Torts Practice Group. “With the increased attention being focused on environmental issues worldwide, the addition of Jacquie positions us to further enable our clients to meet the changes we see in this shifting legal landscape.”

Seyfarth Shaw’s Environmental, Safety and Toxic Torts Practice Group, part of the Labor and Employment Department, represents a broad range of companies across the full spectrum of environmental and safety matters, ranging from regulatory counseling, site audits, and Brownfields to enforcement action defense and toxic tort litigation.

“We are proud to count Jacquie among our partners in Seyfarth Shaw’s Chicago office,” said David J. Rowland, Managing Partner of the firm’s Chicago office. “She is a talented lawyer, a respected leader in our community and a champion of diversity efforts in the legal community.”

Vidmar received her J. D. from Northwestern University School of Law and her B. A. in Russian Studies from the University of Pennsylvania. She is the Chairperson of the Chicago Committee on Minorities in Large Law Firms and a Board Member of the Infant Welfare Society.

“I am thrilled to join my new colleagues at Seyfarth Shaw and look forward to working with my fellow attorneys on a host of environmental, energy and transactional matters nationally,” Vidmar said. “The firm’s national practice and deep bench make this an exciting opportunity for me to be able to offer my clients a full repertoire of comprehensive legal services to meet their business needs in the global marketplace.”

Seyfarth Shaw has over 750 attorneys located in nine offices throughout the United States including Chicago, New York, Boston, Washington D.C., Atlanta, Houston, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Sacramento as well as Brussels, Belgium. Seyfarth Shaw provides a broad range of legal services in the areas of labor and employment, employee benefits, litigation and business services. The firm’s practice reflects virtually every industry and segment of the country’s business and social fabric. Clients include over 200 of the *Fortune* 500 companies, financial institutions, newspapers and other media, hotels, health care organizations, airlines and railroads. The firm also represents a number of federal, state, and local governmental and educational entities. For more information, please visit www.seyfarth.com.

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