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**Lozano Smith Continues to Add Attorneys and Expertise**

*Firm increases its abilities across the board and the state with the additions of Sarah Garcia, Benjamin Rosenbaum and Karin Wahlstrom*

**Fresno, CA** (March 12, 2012) – Lozano Smith is pleased to announce that it has added three new attorneys to its firm: Sarah Garcia, Benjamin Rosenbaum and Karin Wahlstrom.

Sarah Garcia has joined the Walnut Creek office as Senior Counsel where she will primarily represent school districts on Special Education and Student issues. Prior to joining Lozano Smith, Ms. Garcia worked as Special Counsel in the San Francisco area focusing on mediations, due process hearings, expulsion proceedings and training to governing boards regarding the Brown Act and conflict of interest laws. Ms. Garcia received her Juris Doctor degree from the University of California, Hastings College of Law. She earned her undergraduate degree from the University of the Pacific.

Benjamin Rosenbaum has joined the Fresno office as an Associate Attorney. He will focus on Facilities and Business issues for public school districts. Prior to joining Lozano Smith, Mr. Rosenbaum provided broad litigation and transactional services. Mr. Rosenbaum earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of California, Davis School of Law. He earned his undergraduate degree from Fresno Pacific University.

Karin Wahlstrom has joined the San Diego office as an Associate Attorney where she will specialize in the Labor and Employment, Special Education and Student aspects of education law. She most recently served as Staff Attorney at the Center for Education Policy and Law. Ms. Wahlstrom received her Juris Doctor degree from University of San Diego School of Law. She earned her undergraduate degree from the University of California, San Diego.

“Expanding our expertise and representation across the state remains our priority, ensuring clients receive comprehensive counsel,” said Andy Garcia, Executive Director of Lozano Smith.

“We are very excited to have Sarah, Benjamin and Karin join our team, as they bring invaluable experience and a shared vision for client success.”

### About Lozano Smith

Established in 1988, Lozano Smith is a full-service education and public agency law firm serving hundreds of California’s K-12 and community college districts, universities, and numerous cities, counties, and special districts. The firm’s expertise includes personnel matters, labor relations, real property and construction matters, constitutional issues, special education, student discipline, school funding, charter schools, bond elections, governance and litigation in all areas of representation. Lozano Smith has offices in Fresno, Los Angeles, Monterey, Sacramento, Santa Rosa, Redding, San Diego and Walnut Creek. More information is available at [www.lozanosmith.com](http://www.lozanosmith.com).

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