

\$7,500

1L Diversity Fellowship Scholarship

Our firm is committed to the growth and development of legal communities that more accurately reflect the rich diversity of our communities at large. To that end, we are pleased to offer student fellowships to diverse first-year law students. The fellowships provide students a **\$7,500 academic scholarship and a paid position as a 2009 summer associate** with the following offices: Bellevue, Chicago, Los Angeles, Madison, Menlo Park, Phoenix (Perkins Coie Brown & Bain P.A.), Portland, San Francisco or Seattle.

THE 2009 PERKINS COIE 1L DIVERSITY STUDENT FELLOWS WILL BE SELECTED ON THE BASIS OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- ▶ The individual must be a first-year law student in good standing for the degree of Juris Doctor at an ABA accredited law school.
- ▶ The individual must possess an academic record, interest and capacity that demonstrate great promise for a successful career during the remainder of law school and in the legal profession.
- ▶ The individual must contribute meaningfully to the diversity of the law school student body and, upon entering the legal profession, the legal community.

Our definition of diversity is broad and past finalists and recipients have included members of racial, ethnic, disabled and sexual orientation minority groups, as well as those who may be the first person in their family to pursue higher education. While applicants need not disclose their financial circumstances, a demonstrated need for financial assistance may be taken into consideration.

TO BE CONSIDERED, PLEASE SUBMIT: (1) THE APPLICATION CHECKLIST, (2) A CURRENT RESUME, (3) UNDERGRADUATE AND, IF AVAILABLE, LAW SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT PHOTOCOPIES (UNOFFICIAL VERSIONS ARE ACCEPTABLE), (4) A LEGAL WRITING SAMPLE, (10 PAGE MAXIMUM) AND (5) A ONE-PAGE PERSONAL STATEMENT/ESSAY. YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT SHOULD GO BEYOND YOUR RESUME TO TELL YOUR UNIQUE PERSONAL HISTORY. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT A COVER LETTER. IN-OFFICE INTERVIEWS WILL BE GRANTED TO FINALISTS BEFORE FELLOWSHIPS ARE AWARDED.

We are committed to developing a vibrant diverse community within our firm and the legal profession. Diversity is one of our strategic priorities and we have dedicated resources and leadership to it. For us, diversity means more than just numbers – it means creating and supporting an environment where all attorneys can thrive.

COMMITMENT to DIVERSITY

Since 1991, the firm has offered diversity fellowships to deserving candidates. In 2008, 12 diverse first-year law students were named 1L Fellows.

- 34% of attorneys are women
- 18% of partners are women
- 17% of attorneys are diverse
- 7% of partners are diverse

As of 9.2008

- 40% are diverse
- 57% are women

Fall 2008 Entry-Level Class

- 43% are diverse
- 49% are women

2008 Summer Associate Class



HOW TO APPLY:

Please see application checklist for hiring contact information and additional application details. All application materials must be submitted electronically.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

1.14.2009 Bellevue*, Chicago, Los Angeles, Madison, Menlo Park, San Francisco, Seattle*

*1.21.2009 Deadline for Bellevue, Seattle, offices for students enrolled at the University of Washington, Seattle University and Gonzaga University.

1.30.2009 Phoenix and Portland.