Diverse Scholars Program

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through diversity & inclusion

The Reed Smith Diverse Scholars Program provides an award in the amount of $20,000 and a summer associate position to two law students who have demonstrated academic excellence and a commitment to diversity and inclusion. The $20,000 awarded to a recipient is to be used to defray necessary expenditures related to her/his legal education and will be paid in addition to the summer associate salary.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Applicants will be considered under the same high academic standard applied to all summer associate candidates.
- Applicants must demonstrate a strong commitment to diversity and inclusion.
- Applicants must accept Reed Smith's offer to join the 2020 Summer Program following the completion of their second year of law school.
- Applicants must be matriculated at an ABA-accredited law school.
- Applicants must be authorized to work in the United States.

REQUIRED SUBMISSION MATERIALS

☐ Completed Application

☐ Resume

☐ Personal Statement (750 words or less)

☐ Law School Transcript (official or unofficial)

☐ Legal Writing Sample

☐ Undergraduate Transcript (official)

Applications must be received on or before July 15, 2019. Submit application materials to: DiverseScholars@reedsmith.com

- **The subject line should read "Diverse Scholars" and also indicate the Reed Smith office in which you are interested**
- **Contact: Cassidy Martin, U.S. Legal Recruiting Assistant**

NAME

LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL

CONTACT INFORMATION

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

HOME PHONE CELL PHONE E-MAIL ADDRESS

OFFICE PREFERENCE

Please select the office in which you have an interest (select only one):

- ☐ Century City, CA
- ☐ Chicago, IL
- ☐ Houston, TX
- ☐ Los Angeles, CA
- ☐ Miami, FL
- ☐ New York, NY
- ☐ Philadelphia, PA
- ☐ Pittsburgh, PA
- ☐ Princeton, NJ
- ☐ Richmond, VA
- ☐ San Francisco, CA
- ☐ Silicon Valley, CA
- ☐ Tysons, VA
- ☐ Washington, DC
- ☐ Wilmington, DL

Are you a U.S. Citizen or otherwise authorized to work in the United States? ☐ Yes ☐ No

EDUCATION

LAW SCHOOL GPA EXPECTED GRADUATION

UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOL GPA YEAR OF GRADUATION

If you attended multiple undergraduate or law schools or earned additional degrees, please provide that information below with your GPA and graduation year (if relevant).

PERSONAL STATEMENT (750 words or less)

Please attach a statement setting forth why you believe it is important to strive for diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. Please provide specific instances that demonstrate your commitment to diversity and inclusion and how you anticipate contributing to Reed Smith's goals of diversity and inclusion. While this statement is intended to provide background information, the Selection Committee will consider the quality of your written work product in evaluating your application.

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION

Provide more specifics about your leadership achievements and community commitment that go beyond your resume.

Have there been any obstacles, challenges or other factors (financial or otherwise) that you have overcome to pursue your legal education?

Why are you interested in Reed Smith and what you have done to inform yourself about the Firm? Please also discuss your ties to the city/Reed Smith office in which you have an interest.

Is there any other information you would like us to consider not otherwise reflected in your application or on your resume?

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this application and during the application process is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature Date

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