2019 DIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 11:59 PST, Sunday, March 24, 2019


A technical or science background is NOT a requirement for consideration for the LAIPLA Diversity Fellowship.

The LAIPLA Diversity Fellowship is open to all law students meeting at least the following criteria:

- Expected to graduate from law school in 2020 or 2021;
- Have an interest in practicing intellectual property (“IP”) law in the Los Angeles area (involving copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, patents, or any combination thereof);
- Possess “potential to succeed” as an IP attorney, which is defined broadly to include, but is not limited to, history of leadership, previous work experience, experience in overcoming difficulties, and other relevant personal achievements and characteristics.

For 2019, LAIPLA is proud to announce that there will be two Diversity Fellows selected. This year, the Diversity Fellowship is graciously sponsored by Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie LLP and co-sponsored by Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP and Buchalter, a Professional Corporation (the “Sponsors”). The Diversity Fellowship will be hosted by Harman International Industries, Inc. and EVgo Services LLC (“Hosts”).

Each law student selected for the Diversity Fellowship (“Fellow”) will receive a stipend of $6,000, which is graciously funded by the Sponsors. Please see the following page for additional information on the Fellowship requirements, guidelines, and procedures.

Completed applications must be received by 11:59 PST, Sunday, March 24, 2019. Please email completed applications to Jennifer So at jennifer_so@hpt.honda.com.

Should you have any questions, please contact any of the following:

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Each Fellow will have the unique opportunity to learn and gain invaluable experience at a Host for the summer:

Harman International Industries, Inc. designs and engineers connected products and solutions for automakers, consumers, and enterprises worldwide, including connected car systems, audio and visual products, enterprise automation solutions; and connected services. Our major brands include JBL, Harman Kardon, AKG, Lexicon and Infinity. Our team handles the global design patent, trademark and marketing matters globally including anti-counterfeiting, domains and enforcement matters. Working at Harman will allow you to work with our global engineers, designers, and business and marketing teams around the world and provide insight into the production of world class audio, video and software products and systems, as well as the development of technology and marketing campaigns. You will work with a team of 4 attorneys, 2 paralegals and 1 IP Specialist at this location, and the global legal team based in the US, China, Russia, India, and Europe.

EVgo Services LLC is the largest public fast charging network for electric vehicles in the country. EVgo owns and operates over 1,000 DC Fast Chargers and over 350, Level 2 chargers in 66 metropolitan markets. We provide over 100,000 monthly charges to 50,000+ EV drivers, powering EV’s to drive over 5,000,000 miles monthly. The Fellow will be an integral part of the in-house legal team based in West Los Angeles, California, working on anything from intellectual property strategy to agreement drafting, review, and negotiation. Additionally, the legal department is tight knit and has an “open office” mentality, so there is opportunity for exposure to all legal issues facing the company.

Requirements, Guidelines, and Procedures:

1. The Diversity Fellowship is a distinct and unique educational opportunity.

2. The Diversity Fellowship will be conducted during the summer of 2019 and will be part of the established Diversity Fellowship Program at LAIPLA. The purpose of the Diversity Fellowship Program is to further the professional development of law students associated with LAIPLA by providing them with the benefit of educational experiences and practical vocational training that cannot adequately be provided in the classroom. LAIPLA may oversee the professional development and training of students through their participation in the Diversity Fellowship Program.

3. The Diversity Fellowship Program will involve on-site participation by each Fellow at the respective Host’s offices no more than five days per week for no more than eight weeks. Each Fellow will gain hands-on experience and will receive ongoing training and feedback from legal professionals at the respective Host. The skills each Fellow will develop will not be specific to the respective Host, but will be generic to the legal profession. For example, an understanding of basic legal principles and procedures will be a focus. These basic legal principles and procedures may relate to trademarks, copyrights, and patents, as well as other areas of law.
4. One Fellow per Host will participate in the Diversity Fellowship Program in the summer of 2019. Neither Fellow will displace any regular employees at the respective Host, but instead will work under the close supervision of existing staff at the respective Host. The primary and essential purpose of the Diversity Fellowship Program is to provide each Fellow with educational experiences and training that cannot be duplicated in the classroom in connection with an academic curriculum related to IP and other areas of law.

5. Each Fellow is not precluded from applying for a position with either Host at some point after the respective Fellow has completed the Diversity Fellowship Program. Nevertheless, the Diversity Fellowship Program is not intended as a first step to the employment process and no representations, expressed or implied, are made to Fellows regarding regular employment opportunities at either Host.

6. All Diversity Fellowship applications are due no later than the end of day on **Sunday, March 24, 2019**. No late applications will be considered.

7. Once applications have been reviewed, representatives from LAIPLA will contact potential law-student candidates for an interview. For finalists, an in-person interview may be required. These interviews will likely take place during the month of April 2019. Once the Fellows are selected, each successful candidate will be contacted by LAIPLA representatives about one week after the interviews are completed.

8. LAIPLA will have sole discretion in selecting the student who will participate in the Diversity Fellowship Program. The initial selection process will include input from representatives from the Sponsors, LAIPLA Board members, and members of the Hosts.

9. In the event that the selected Fellow is unable to participate in the Diversity Fellowship Program, other applicants may be subsequently contacted to fulfill any vacant Diversity Fellowship roles.

10. Each Fellow will be expected to be present during regular workday hours at the respective Host. Each Fellow’s presence at the Host will not exceed 8 hours in a day or 40 hours a week, and it will not exceed 8 weeks. The $6,000 stipend will be issued by LAIPLA to each Fellow as follows: $3,000 at the beginning of the Diversity Fellowship, and $3,000 around halfway through the completion of the Diversity Fellowship.

    *Stipends may be considered taxable income. Fellows bear the responsibility of filing and paying any taxes due. Please consult your own tax or financial advisor with any questions.*
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Please provide the following information as accurately and completely as possible. If you need additional space, please attach a separate page.

1. Name (last, first): ___________________________________________

2. Current Address: ___________________________________________

3. Email: ____________________________________________________

4. Telephone No.: ____________________________________________

5. Law School: ________________________________________________
   Expected Graduation Date: ______
   GPA: ______
   Class Standing (if available): ______
   Note: Please attach a copy of your unofficial law school transcript.
   If not yet available, please indicate accordingly.

6. Undergraduate School: ______________________________________
   Major: ____________________________________________________

7. Other Graduate School: _____________________________________

8. Academic honors and awards received:

9. Professional memberships:

10. Past and Present Community Activities:
11. Other Languages (if any):

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12. Statements (Confining your complete answer to no more than two pages total, please respond to each of the following):

- With the understanding that the term “diversity” is broadly defined, please describe how your background and character traits qualify you for this Diversity Fellowship and why you want to be a Diversity Fellow?
- Please describe your interest in intellectual property law and your future goals for contributing to the Los Angeles intellectual property community.
- If you could change one aspect of the copyright, trademark, or patent law, what would it be and why?

I certify that the information provided in this Diversity Fellowship Application is true and correct.

Dated: ______________________

________________________________________
Signature

Please include the following required submissions as attachments:
- ✓ 2019 Application
- ✓ Statements (see Paragraph 12 of Application)
- ✓ Current Resume
- ✓ Unofficial Law School Transcripts