

## ZELLE LLP ANNOUNCES CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2024 DIVERSITY IN LAW SCHOLARSHIP AND PAID 1L SUMMER CLERKSHIP

Zelle LLP is pleased to announce that the firm's Diversity in Law Scholarship and Paid 1L Summer Clerkship will be offered again in 2024. The Scholarship is designed to encourage and assist students from diverse backgrounds and with diverse perspectives, as well as students with a proven interest in diversity-related issues, in pursuing the law as a profession.

Applicants must either be: (1) first-year law students pursuing their Juris Doctor degree who are currently enrolled full-time at an ABA-accredited law school and who have completed at least one semester of law school; or (2) be part-time (four-year program) or joint-degree students currently enrolled in their second year of law school at an ABA-accredited law school.1 Applicants also must either (1) be a member of a population or group whose background and perspectives are historically underrepresented in the private practice of law; or (2) demonstrate a long-standing commitment to diversity that will be furthered by award of the scholarship. Selection considerations will include but not be limited to: academic performance, writing skills, demonstrated leadership skills, an interest in litigation (including antitrust and insurance litigation), financial need, and a desire to practice in one of the cities where Zelle maintains an office.2 Applicants are required to have a 2.8 cumulative law school GPA (or its equivalent).

The Scholarship awards the selected recipient a total of \$15,000.00 to be applied towards the selected recipient's law school tuition, fees, and text books, with one half of the scholarship paid for the student's second year of law school and one half of the scholarship paid for the student's third year of law school subject to the following: To receive the second installment of the scholarship, the recipient must maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA (or its equivalent) through the student's second year of law school.

The Scholarship recipient will be offered and must accept a paid summer clerkship at one of the firm's offices for the summer following the student's first year of law school. The specific location of the clerkship will be decided by the firm in consultation with the recipient and will be based upon both the recipient's interest and the firm's need.

The 1L Diversity in Law Clerkship at Zelle pays \$2,500 per week and the position ranges between 5 to 8 weeks. The range is \$12,500 to \$20,000 depending on a mutually agreeable number of weeks that aligns with the schedule of both the law clerk and the Zelle office where the clerk will work. If you have additional questions, please reach out to **diversity@zellelaw.com**.

## Additional details and the 2024 application can be found here.

Completed applications may be submitted by electronic mail to: <a href="mailto:diversity@zellelaw.com">diversity@zellelaw.com</a>

Application submissions will close on January 8, 2024 at Midnight PT.