

Ballard Spahr – Piper Jaffray 1L Diversity Fellowship Program (Minneapolis)

Ballard Spahr and Piper Jaffray & Co. are excited to join together to host a 1L Diversity Fellowship Program in Minneapolis, MN. Through this program, we will select an outstanding 1L student who will be employed by Ballard Spahr (Minneapolis Office) as a 2019 summer associate. The student will also have the unique opportunity to spend some time working as an intern in the Piper Jaffray Legal Department.

The recipient will receive from Ballard Spahr a one-time \$5,000 scholarship and the Ballard Spahr (Minneapolis) summer associate program weekly salary.

Our application process opens on December 1, 2018 and closes on January 15, 2019 at 11:59 PM CST.

- **Eligibility Requirements:**

- The 1L Diversity Fellowship Program is designed to attract students who have overcome one or more substantial obstacles in pursuing a legal career, come from a disadvantaged background, and/or are under-represented in the legal community.
- Student must be an actively enrolled first-year law student (preference given to students with strong ties to Minneapolis). Applicants are considered in part based on their academic accomplishments, leadership experience, diversity-related student organization involvement, and personal achievements.
- If selected, student must accept his or her offer by Ballard Spahr to join the firm in Minneapolis during the summer of 2019 in order to officially receive from Ballard Spahr the fellowship and attached \$5,000 scholarship award.*

**At the end of the 2019 summer program, Ballard Spahr and the student will discuss the possible opportunity for the student to return for a second summer at Ballard Spahr as a 2L student. However, there is no obligation to offer to the student, or any guarantee that the student shall receive, employment or another opportunity after the completion of the program.*

- **To be considered, please submit an online 1L application (find application link [here](#) after December 1). Your application must include the following:**

- Resume, cover letter, and legal writing sample
- Law school transcript (as soon as available - may be submitted after the deadline if necessary)
- Contact information for two professional or academic references
- A brief essay (500 words or less) describing how you anticipate contributing to diversity and inclusion in the legal profession

Application materials, with the exception of your transcript, must be submitted through the online application by the January 15, 2019 deadline to be considered for this fellowship.

About Ballard Spahr

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Ballard Spahr is an equal opportunity employer committed to fostering a culturally diverse environment. We encourage applications from a diverse pool of candidates, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, ethnicity, religion, sex, age, national origin, handicap or disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or veteran status.

About Piper Jaffray & Co.

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Questions

If you have questions, please contact Lisa Feden, Manager of Entry Level Recruiting and Integration, at fedenl@ballardspahr.com or (215) 864-8339.