

2019
Sidley 1L Diversity Summer
Mentorship Program

Sidley Austin LLP's Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. offices invite current 1L students who identify as racially or ethnically diverse, LGBTQ and/or identify as having a disability who will be working in Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. during the summer of 2019 to apply to participate in the Ninth Annual Sidley 1L Diversity Summer Mentorship Program. The program is a mentoring program that aims to promote diverse law students' interest in joining Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. law firms after graduation. The program is anticipated to run during June and July 2019. Through the program, students will be matched with Sidley lawyer-mentors to advise them on career development strategies and professional opportunities. Mentors will address subjects such as:

- Best practices for applying to Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. law firms, interviewing, and capitalizing on the summer associate experience;
- Understanding the variety and nature of practice areas available in the Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. legal markets;
- Advancing professional skills through pro bono service and clerkships; and
- Cultivating role models, mentors, and professional networks as a diverse lawyer.

During the program, students will meet with their mentors at formal and informal events, including a kick-off reception, afternoon coffee breaks, and brown bag lunches. Mentors will also regularly communicate with mentees. The program will provide a resume and interview workshop, as well as other opportunities to learn about the legal profession in Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. The majority of formal program events will be scheduled after 5:30 p.m. to accommodate work schedules.

Application Instructions:

1. Download/print the application and instructions.
2. Complete the entire application.
3. Attach the following TWO documents:
 - Résumé
 - Unofficial law school transcript

Please check the box for the office to which you are applying:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Boston | <input type="checkbox"/> Chicago | <input type="checkbox"/> Dallas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Houston | <input type="checkbox"/> Los Angeles | <input type="checkbox"/> New York |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Palo Alto | <input type="checkbox"/> San Francisco | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington, D.C. |

*****Applications that are not completed and received by Sidley at the address specified below by April 12, 2019 will not be considered.*****

If you are applying to the **Boston, New York or Washington, D.C.** office, email all materials to:
Rosevelie Márquez Morales, East Coast Diversity Director at rmarquezmorales@sidley.com

If you are applying to the **Chicago** office, email all materials to:
Merisa Lima, Diversity Specialist at 1LDiversityMentorship-Chicago@sidley.com

If you are applying to the **Dallas** office, email all materials to:
Lauren Lundeen, Legal Recruiting Coordinator at llundeen@sidley.com

If you are applying to the **Houston** office, email all materials to:
Jameson Miller, Associate at jameson.miller@sidley.com

If you are applying to the **Los Angeles, Palo Alto or San Francisco** offices, email all materials to:
Jennifer Ganesh, West Coast Diversity Director at jganesh@sidley.com

Email Subject: 2019 Sidley 1L Diversity Summer Mentorship Program

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Please type or print. (Verification of all information may be requested.)

***1. Contact information (current)**

Name _____
Last
First
Middle

Mailing Address _____
Number & Street
City
State
Zip Code

Above address valid until (please specify date): _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Cellular Phone (_____) _____

Email address (primary) _____

Email address (alternate) _____

2. Contact Information (2019 Summer Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. area address, if known)

Mailing Address _____
Number & Street
City
State
Zip Code

3. Anticipated Dates in the Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. area (if known)

	MM	DD	YYYY
Start Date			
Departure Date			

4. Gender

Male Female Other _____

5. Race (optional)

Hispanic/Latino Nat. Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander 2 or More Races (please specify) _____

White Asian/Southeast Asian Other (please specify) _____

Black/African American American Indian/Alaska Native _____

6. Do you identify as being LGBTQ? (Optional)

- Lesbian Gay Transgender Bisexual
- Other _____

7. Do you identify as having a disability? (Optional)

- Yes No

***8. School Information**

Law School and Graduation Year	
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Graduate School and Graduation Year	
Graduate School and Graduation Year	
Undergraduate Institution and Graduation Year	

***9. What are your practice area interests?**

***10. What is the name and location of your 2019 summer employer?**

***11. Please explain why diversity matters to you in your professional career. Your response may include a discussion of any initiatives that you have taken or in which you have participated to promote diversity.**

***12. Briefly describe your overall career goals and why working at a law firm in the Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco or Washington, D.C. area might further those goals.**

***13. In what ways would you benefit from participating in the Sidley 1L Diversity Summer Mentorship Program?**

***14. By checking “Yes” below, I understand my application is not complete until I have sent in my application materials to the contacts in the different offices listed above by April 12, 2019.**

Yes

***15. By checking “Yes” below, I understand and agree to the following:**

Participants in the 1L Diversity Mentorship Program are not employees of the Firm. While the Firm is pleased to provide you information about this program, it is not a part of, or a requirement of, employment. Although the Firm encourages participants in the Sidley 1L Diversity Summer Mentorship Program to consider Sidley Austin LLP when applying for law firm employment, being a participant does not obligate one to apply for a summer clerkship or permanent position with any Sidley office, nor is Sidley obligated to interview or hire any program participant.

If you wish to participate in this program, you acknowledge and agree that your participation is purely voluntary and is entirely at your own risk, that the Firm shall have no obligation to permit you to participate in the program, and that the Firm shall not be liable in any way for any injuries or damages that you may incur in connection with this participation. The Firm may terminate the program at anytime in its sole discretion.

Yes