

## 2020 Diversity Scholarship

Vedder Price recognizes the importance of diversity and inclusion at our firm. Our Diversity Committee ensures that efforts to promote and enhance diversity and a culture of inclusiveness at Vedder Price are a top priority. We established the Vedder Price Diversity Scholarship in 2005 to further our commitment to recruiting talented diverse students. This Scholarship provides a \$7,500 monetary award for law school-related expenses and a guaranteed summer associate position in our Summer Associate Program after the scholarship recipient's first year of law school. To receive the scholarship, the recipient must join the 2020 Summer Associate Program and the monetary award will be paid at the start of the program.

The **Chicago Scholarship recipient** will join the 2020 Chicago Summer Associate Program and work in the Corporate, Litigation and Labor & Employment practice areas. The **New York Scholarship recipient** will join the 2020 New York Summer Associate Program and work in the Corporate practice area, with a focus in Global Transportation Finance.

To be eligible, you must be a first-year law student who is a student of color, LGBT, a person with a disability or a person whose background or experience would otherwise contribute to the diversity of Vedder Price and the legal profession.

**Applications must be submitted via email and will first be accepted in December 2019. Interviews will be held on a rolling basis and the Scholarship recipients will be announced in March 2020. For more information, please visit <http://vedderprice.com/diversity>. We look forward to meeting this year's applicants!**

### Applicants must be enrolled in one of the following law schools:

Boston University  
Columbia  
Cornell  
Duke  
George Washington  
Georgetown  
Harvard  
Northwestern  
Notre Dame  
NYU  
Stanford  
University of California-Berkeley  
University of California-Irvine  
University of California-Los Angeles  
University of Chicago  
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
University of Minnesota  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Southern California  
University of Texas-Austin  
University of Virginia  
Vanderbilt  
Washington University in St. Louis  
Yale

# 2020 Summer Associate Program

The Diversity Scholars will participate in the 2020 Summer Associate Program. As a summer associate at Vedder Price, you can expect rapid integration into our firm's practice through substantive work assignments, observation opportunities and training sessions. Our summer associates work alongside senior associates and shareholders, and are quickly immersed in active matters and client meetings. We are looking for students with executive presence and maturity who are ready to jump in!

With a variety of activities, ranging from office-wide events to small-group outings planned by associates, there are plenty of opportunities to get you out of the office and enjoying your summer.



"My decision to return to Vedder Price was an easy decision to make. During my first summer at the firm, I made great connections with the shareholders, the associates, and my fellow summer associates. My assignments were substantive and I learned so much about the practice of law over the 10 week period. I wanted to join a firm that valued diversity and developed associates with an eye towards firm leadership. Vedder Price checked all those boxes for me!"

—**Ananya Hindupur**, 2019 Diversity Scholar, University of Michigan Law School, Class of 2021



"For me, the Diversity Scholar Program was a great way to get exposure to transactional work after a full year of litigation-focused 1L classes. Learning how contracts are negotiated and drafted was a great learning experience and gave me a great frame of reference for my future law school classes. I am very excited to return next summer so I can continue to develop the relationships I established with my mentors and other summer associates. Everybody was very friendly and open last summer, and I look forward to returning to that environment."

—**Sahiba Chopra**, 2019 Diversity Scholar, Vanderbilt University Law School, Class of 2021



"Vedder Price is committed to promoting a culture of inclusiveness and advancing opportunities for all of our lawyers. This includes our summer associates. Our summer program is typically open to second-year law students only. The Diversity Scholarship is unique because it provides opportunities for talented and academically qualified first-year law students of all races, ethnicities, religions, genders, or sexual orientations to participate in our Summer Associate Program. We welcome all diverse first-year law students to apply for a chance to change your future and come join our fantastic program."

—**Jeanah Park**, Vedder Price Shareholder and Diversity Committee Chair

**As part of our efforts to promote diversity in the legal profession, we have proudly supported the following organizations:**

- Asian American Bar Association
- Asian Human Services
- Association of Corporate Counsel Foundation
- Big Careers Little Kids
- California Minority Counsel Program
- Chicago Committee
- Coalition of Women's Initiatives in Law
- Cook County Bar Association
- Equality Illinois
- Filipino American Lawyers Association
- Howard Brown
- International Aviation Women's Association
- Lambda Legal
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity
- National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
- Northwestern Women's Leadership Coalition
- Para Los Ninos
- Project Fierce
- Share Our Spare
- South Asian Bar Association
- University of Illinois Black Law Students Association
- University of Illinois Latino/Latina Law Students Association
- Women's Bar Association of Illinois
- Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia

Additionally, **WAVES: Women at Vedder Empowering Success** promotes the recruitment, retention and advancement of the firm's women attorneys through discussions, events, networking opportunities and business development trainings.