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2010 SABAW National Conference Scholarships

SABA is Proud to Announce Four Scholarships for 2010

For Attorneys

SABAW will grant two scholarships of \$1,500 each to attorneys who can best demonstrate a commitment to assist the South Asian community, locally or at large, to attend the 2010 NASABA National Conference in June 24-27, 2010, in Boston, and report back to the local SABAW membership. The award winner will be required to write a short essay suitable for publication in the SABAW newsletter.

To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must be attorneys residing in the State of Washington. Members of the Scholarship Committee are not qualified to participate.

For Students

SABAW will grant two scholarships of \$1,500 each to law students who can best demonstrate a commitment to assist the South Asian community, locally or at large, to attend the 2010 NASABA National Conference in June 24-27, 2010, in Boston, and report back to the local SABAW membership. The award winner will be required to attend the entire convention and write a short essay suitable for publication in the SABAW newsletter.

To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must be current law students residing in the State of Washington. Members of the Scholarship Committee are not qualified to participate.

How to Apply

The Scholarship Committee comprises the following attorneys: Sandip Soli, Pallavi Mehta Wahi, and Sunil

Abraham

To apply, please send an essay less than 200 words to Rajiv Sarathy (rsarathy@perkinscoie.com), expressing commitment to the South Asian community and intent to attend the 2009 NASABA National Conference.

THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS May 15, 2010.

The Scholarship Committee will announce awardees shortly thereafter. The awards will be disbursed upon a showing of proof by the awardees of registration for the 2010 NASABA National Conference, hotel reservations and travel reservations. For more information on the convention, visit the NASABA Convention website [here](#).

SABAW Creating Referral List

Soliciting Members to Be Included

From time to time, SABAW gets requests for referrals. We have decided to put together a list of attorneys that we will publish on our web site (www.sabaw.org) that we can identify when we receive future such requests. Because some attorneys will not want to be on the list, we will leave the choice up to you. If you desire to be on the list, please provide the following in an email to rsarathy@perkinscoie.com:

- 1) Your full name as you want it to appear on the list;
- 2) your contact information that you want publicly available;
- 3) your primary area(s) of practice (up to two);
- 4) language(s) you are fluent in; and
- 5) your web site.

Inclusion in this list will be limited to members of SABAW who have paid their annual dues in full. To become a member, please visit http://sabaw.org/images/Membership_Packet.pdf.

**FUNDRAISER: UW Immigration Law Clinic and
Immigration Families Advocacy Project**

Co-Sponsored by SABAW

The UW Immigration Law Clinic and Immigrant Families Advocacy Project will hold its fundraiser event next Tuesday April 27, 2010, at 5:30 pm at the Rainier Club, 820 Fourth Avenue in downtown Seattle. Featured Speaker will be The Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez, United States District Court Judge for the Western District of Washington

RSVP to uwimmigration@gmail.com

NASABA 2010 Annual Convention

June 24-27, 2010 in Boston Massachusetts

The North American South Asian Bar Association ("NASABA" www.nasaba.com) and the South Asian Bar Association of Greater Boston ("SABA GB" www.sabagb.org) are pleased to invite you to attend the Seventh Annual NASABA Convention. This Convention will offer substantive, cultural, civic, and social programs of the highest caliber, in the tradition that NASABA has established over previous years. The theme for NASABA's 2010 Convention is "Making History". Join us in the Cradle of Liberty and experience American History for yourself. This year's Convention promises outstanding programming, diverse culture, and a beautiful waterfront venue. Exceptional speakers from the legal community, judiciary, political arena, and business sector tackle current topics and lend their expertise in discussions relevant to both new and seasoned attorneys, as well as those looking to build on their legal experience by pursuing non-traditional career paths. Featured speakers include:

Preet Bharara, U.S. Attorney for Southern District of New York

Neel Kashkari, Interim U.S. Assistant Secretary of Treasury
Navjeet Bal, Commissioner, Massachusetts Dep't of Revenue

For more details, please click [here](#).

EVENT: BOG Presidential/At-Large Candidates Meet and Greet

WSBA Committee for Diversity/Minority Bar Associations

Please join us for an informal discussion with the BOG 2010-2011 Presidential and At-Large Candidates!

Each candidate will offer a brief statement and then we will open up the floor for questions and discussion with the Minority Bar Associations and the WSBA Committee for Diversity

Light refreshments will be provided

When: Wednesday, May 12th, 2010, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Where: WSBA Conference Center, 6th Floor

Please RSVP to Jennifer Carter at jenniferc@wsba.org by May 3rd, 2010.

EVENT: Chaya Auction and Dinner

Chaya's Annual Dinner and Auction will take place on May 22, 2010, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, in downtown Seattle. Reception is set to begin at 5:30 p.m., with dinner to follow.

Chaya is a community based nonprofit organization established in 1996 to serve South Asian women in times of crisis and need, and to raise awareness of domestic violence issues. While there are excellent agencies that provide services for Southeast Asians in Seattle, Chaya is the only organization that specifically addresses the needs of South Asian women.

To register visit www.chaya.dojiggy.com or call 206-568-7576.

For more information click [here](#).

EMPLOYMENT: Litigation Associate

Davis Wright Tremaine

Davis Wright Tremaine seeks a litigation associate with a minimum of 3 years' experience to join our Bellevue office. Preference for experience in environmental/land use and commercial litigation. [A willingness to do litigation work in

both areas is required.] Federal court experience would be helpful, but not required. Excellent writing and oral advocacy skills are required, as well as strong academic credentials. Membership in the Washington State Bar is preferred but not required.

To apply: Send resume, copy of law school transcript and brief writing sample to Dee Hayward via e-mail at deehayward@dwt.com or apply online via our firm's website at www.dwt.com.

EMPLOYMENT: Estate Planning Sr. Associate or Jr. Partner

Stoel Rives, LLP

Stoel Rives LLP is seeking a senior associate (with a minimum of six years of relevant work experience) or a junior partner to join its busy Estate Planning and Trust Administration Practice Group in Seattle, Washington. The ideal candidate has significant experience in estate planning, trust and estate administration, closely held business planning, gift and estate tax, and charitable planning. An LL.M. in Tax is strongly preferred, as is a high level of community involvement/leadership. Strong academic credentials, client service skills, and writing skills are required. EOE.

To apply: Visit <http://join.stoel.com/jobs.html> for more information and how to apply.

EMPLOYMENT: Real Estate Associate

Stoel Rives, LLP

Stoel Rives LLP is seeking an associate with at least two years of relevant work experience to join its busy Real Estate Group in Seattle, Washington. The ideal candidate has significant experience in real property acquisitions, sales and exchanges, leasing, real estate development, real estate financing, and land use. Strong academic credentials, client service skills, and writing skills are required. EOE.

To apply: Visit <http://join.stoel.com/jobs.html> for more

information and how to apply.

EMPLOYMENT: Environmental Associate

Stoel Rives, LLP

The Seattle office of Stoel Rives LLP is seeking an entry level or junior associate attorney (one to two years of prior legal experience) to join its Environmental and Natural Resources Practice Group. The ideal candidate has regulatory and litigation experience across a broad range of state and federal environmental regulatory programs. Strong academic credentials, client service skills, and writing skills are required. Principals only, no recruiters please. EOE.

To apply: Visit our website at <http://join.stoel.com/jobs.html> for more information and how to apply.

EMPLOYMENT: Estate Planning Mid-Level Associate

Stoel Rives, LLP

Stoel Rives LLP is seeking a mid-level associate with a minimum of three years of relevant work experience to join its busy Estate Planning and Trust Administration Practice Group in Seattle, Washington. The ideal candidate has prior experience in estate planning, trust and estate administration, closely held business planning, gift and estate tax, and charitable planning. An LL.M. in Tax is preferred. Strong academic credentials, client service skills, and writing skills are required. EOE.

To apply: Visit <http://join.stoel.com/jobs.html> for more information and how to apply.

EMPLOYMENT: Litigation Associate

Legal Ease, LLC

Our client, an established, growing, collegial Seattle area law firm, is seeking an associate attorney with 3-4-plus years' civil litigation experience which ideally includes real estate finance litigation, condominium/homeowner's matters, foreclosures, and/or sophisticated collections work. This firm

produces only the highest quality work product and is well-regarded for practicing challenging law in a respectful manner. Compensation is very competitive. To learn more, please submit your resume ASAP in strict confidence (Word format preferred) to ljonas@legalease.com.

EMPLOYMENT: Commissioner Pro Tempore

King County Superior Court

King County Superior Court will be accepting applications through April 30, 2010 for one or more Commissioners Pro Tempore.

The complete job announcement is posted on the King County website (<http://www.kingcounty.gov/jobs.aspx>) with detailed information on how to apply.

For more information contact:

Judy Hullett, PHR
King County Superior Court
Sr. Human Resources Analyst
(206-296-9298
6206-205-8271
judith.hullett@kingcounty.gov

EMPLOYMENT: Civil Litigation Attorney

Federal Trade Commission

The Federal Trade Commission's Northwest Regional Office in Seattle seeks an excellent attorney to investigate and litigate civil actions in federal court against alleged violators of federal consumer protection laws.

You must (1) be an active member in good standing of the bar of a state, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory and (2) have excellent speaking and writing skills and be able to work effectively with other people, exercise sound judgment, and exhibit a strong interest in the work of the agency. Candidates with a strong background in consumer protection laws are strongly encouraged to apply. Spanish-speaking candidates are also encouraged to apply.

Salary range \$61,255.00 - 113,496.00 at GS 11-13 with

promotional potential to GS 15.

For more information, including how to apply, go to <http://usajobs.gov> and search for FTC in Seattle.

Application deadline is May 6, 2010.

Commissioner Ethics and Elections

Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission

The Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission (SEEC) is looking for a candidate to serve in the Commission-appointed position on the SEEC.

The SEEC is a seven-member, volunteer body that interprets, administers, and enforces Seattle's Ethics, Elections, Lobbying and

Voters' Pamphlet Codes. The SEEC advises the City Council and the Mayor on promoting ethics in government, and appoints and oversees the work of an executive director, who is charged with implementing SEEC decisions. Commissioners act as judges when a person is charged with violating one of the Commission-administered codes, and issue advisory opinions. Through staff, the SEEC publishes guides to the codes it enforces, and conducts educational programs on the Commission-administered codes.

The SEEC meets the first Wednesday of every month at 4:00 p.m., and occasionally Commissioners need to attend special meetings. Commission members usually spend between two and five hours per month on SEEC business, although workload can vary.

Commissioners serve three-year terms and can be reappointed. The successful candidate will be selected by the six current commissioners, and must be confirmed by the City Council. The appointee's terms will run until December 31, 2012. Women, persons with disabilities, sexual minorities, and persons of color are encouraged to apply.

Residency in the City of Seattle, while not required, is an asset. Commissioners cannot be active in Seattle election campaigns during their time on the Commission.

To be considered for appointment to the SEEC, please send a

letter of interest and resume by May 14, 2010 by e-mail to wayne.barnett@seattle.gov, or by mail to:

Wayne Barnett, Executive Director
Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission
P.O. Box 94729
Seattle, Washington 98124-4729

For more information, please contact Wayne Barnett at (206) 684-8577, or by e-mail at wayne.barnett@seattle.gov.

Please look for more events sponsored by SABAW in the future.

Sincerely,

South Asian Bar Association of Washington