SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHINESE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

2014 SCHOLARSHIP/FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

APPICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY: Wednesday, March 20, 2013

The Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association ("SCCLA") annually awards several $1,000 *Scholarships* and two to four $2,000 *Fellowships* to local Asian/Pacific American law students.

The *Scholarships* are awarded based on need, academic accomplishments, and/or potential contribution to the Chinese-American community. Law students at all levels are encouraged to apply (including first, third year day, and fourth year evening).

The *Fellowship* award funds a clerkship at the Asian Americans Advancing Justice | Los Angeles ("AAAJ-LA") during the upcoming Fall and Spring school year. **Receipt of *Fellowship* funds is conditioned upon serving as a clerk at AAAJ-LA for a minimum of 15 hours per week for 10 weeks.** Please see the attached page for additional information on the Fellowship requirements and guidelines.

There is no clerkship condition for any of the *Scholarships*.

Completed applications must be received by Wednesday, April 16, 2014. Applications will not be accepted by facsimile or by e-mail. Please forward completed applications to:

Faith Santoso, Esq.
Asian Americans Advancing Justice | Los Angeles
1145 Wilshire Blvd., 2nd Fl.
Los Angeles, CA 90017

The selected Scholarship recipients will be awarded at the annual SCCLA Installation Dinner on **Friday, May 2, 2014 at Golden Dragon Restaurant in Chinatown, Los Angeles.** The selected Fellows will be recognized at the Dinner that same year, but will not be awarded the fellowship title or money until the completion of the fellowship requirements. The official award for fellows will be given at the following year's banquet. **Both the Scholarship recipients and the selected Fellows must attend the May 2, 2014 dinner to receive their awards/selections.**

Should you have any questions, please contact Faith Santoso at fsantoso@advancingjustice-la.org or 213-977-7500 or Nate Law at nlaw29@yahoo.com.

SCCLA FELLOWSHIP

As a SCCLA Fellow, you will have the unique opportunity to work with the Asian Americans Advancing Justice | Los Angeles (AAAJ-LA), the nation's largest legal organization serving the Asian and Pacific Islander (API) communities. This experience will allow you to work directly with the community by being a part of AAAJ-LA's Legal Services Unit, which provides free legal services to low-income individuals. You will learn how to conduct legal intakes, assist with casework, and learn about the areas of domestic violence related family law and immigration law.

Requirements and Guidelines:

1. Fellows are expected to work 150 hours per semester. The work schedule is 2 full days a week, working at least 15 hours a week, for 10 weeks. A $2000.00 fellowship award will be issued once you have completed your required hours.

2. Up to four separate fellowships will be awarded per year. It is possible to be awarded two fellowships per fellow.

3. The Fellowship is a distinct and unique opportunity. It cannot be used to satisfy school credit or any other program or project unless explicitly permitted by SCCLA and AAAJ-LA prior to being selected as a fellow.

4. Once applications have been reviewed, AAAJ-LA will contact potential candidates for a phone interview. For finalists, an in-person interview may be required. Once the fellows are selected, they will be contacted by AAAJ-LA.

5. Selected fellows will be recognized at the SCCLA banquet that same year as "selected fellows", but will not be awarded the fellowship title or money until completion of the fellowship requirements (scholarship and fellowship recipients are selected a few weeks before the annual SCCLA banquet which is generally held in March or April). The official award and recognition for fellows will be given at the following year's banquet. For fall fellows, this banquet will happen after their fellowship is complete. For spring fellows, the banquet will occur concurrently with their fellowship, but after they have started their hours.

6. In the event a selected fellow is unable to begin their fellowship, other applicants may be contacted for their availability.

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Please provide the following information as accurately and completely as possible. If you need additional space, please attach a separate page.

1. Name (last, first): _____

2. Current Address: _____
_____
_____
Email: _____

3. Telephone No.: (hm) _____, (cell) _____, (wk) _____

4. Law School: _____
Current Year and Units Completed: _____
Day or Night: _____

5. Marital Status: _____

6. Dependents (include ages and relationships):

7. Place of Birth/Date of Birth:_____/_____

8. Academic Background (other than law school):

SCHOOL	DEGREE/DATE CONFERRED

9. Law School Record: GPA:_____
Class Standing:_____
Note: Second, third and fourth-year students are requested to attach a copy of their law school transcript.

10. Academic honors and awards received in law school:

11. Professional memberships while in law school:

12. Scholarships and grants received in law school, including amount received and year of receipt:

13. Past and Present Community Activities:

14. Other Languages (if any):

Level of Fluency (check one) ____ Fluent ____ Conversational ____ Beginner Only

(check all that apply) ____ Verbal ____ Reading ____ Writing

15. Work History (from most current employment):

Dates	Employer	Address	Duties	Hours Per Week	Pay

16. School loans (including undergraduate loans):

Lender	**Amount Borrowed**	**Amount Repaid/Date**

17. Amount contributed by others (e.g., parents), if any, for law school education:

18. Net Monthly Income, By Source (include spouse's income, if married):

19. Net Monthly Expenses (e.g., transportation, food, rent):

20. Current Assets Owned and Dollar Value:

21. Current Liabilities and Dollar Amounts:

22. Statements (Please attach additional pages if needed):

    (a) Please describe your reasons for deciding to go to law school:

    (b) Please describe your present and future goals for contributing to the Asian/Pacific American community.

23. Awards in which you are interested (*you may check both, but only one award per person*):

[ ] Scholarship

[ ] Fellowship
(Availability: Fall / Spring / Summer).
Circle as appropriate.

I certify that the information provided in this Scholarship/Fellowship Application is true and correct.

Dated:

_____
Signature