

**K&L Gates Public Interest Fellowship Program
of the
K&L Gates LLP Fund**

2009-2010 Application Guidelines

The Pittsburgh Foundation and K&L Gates LLP are proud to offer the K&L Gates Public Interest Fellowship Program. The fellowship was established in September 1999 to offer law students the opportunity to assist public service organizations located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Each summer, the program awards up to *three* successful candidates a fellowship that enables them to spend four weeks of their summer working at one of four designated public interest organizations. The following four organizations offer placement opportunities to K&L Gates fellows:

- *Allegheny Conference on Community Development* which provides research, analysis, planning and development to improve the economy and quality of life in Southwestern Pennsylvania. For more information, please visit <http://www.alleghenyconference.org>.
- *Education Law Center* which provides free legal assistance and advice to parents, advocates and other professionals on issues of public education. For more information, please visit <http://www.elc-pa.org>.
- *KidsVoice* which provides legal representation to abused, neglected or other at-risk children. For more information, please visit <http://www.kidsvoice.org>.
- *Neighborhood Legal Services Association* which provides legal representation to poor and vulnerable residents of Western Pennsylvania who have financial, landlord-tenant, domestic violence, or other legal problems. For more information, please visit <http://www.nlsa.org>.

In 2010, each recipient will be paid a stipend of \$1,000/week (less applicable taxes) for his or her public interest service. All stipend checks will be made payable to the student and mailed to the organizations at which they will be working. K&L Gates will pay a supplemental salary to any recipient who receives and accepts an offer to spend the remainder of the summer as a K&L Gates summer associate. The supplemental salary and stipend will equal the weekly salary of K&L Gates' summer associates during the fellowship period. K&L Gates fellows however, are not required to spend the rest of the summer with K&L Gates.

To be considered for a fellowship award, candidates must complete and submit an application on or before **October 9, 2009**.

Subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of The Pittsburgh Foundation, an Advisory Committee will recommend the fellowship winners based upon academic merit, demonstrated commitment to public service, other information provided through the application process and interviews with finalist candidates. *Family members of Advisory Committee members are not eligible for this fellowship.* The Pittsburgh Foundation will notify chosen fellowship winners of its decision.

For a copy of the application materials, please visit our website, www.klgates.com, contact your career services/placement office or contact:

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1. Background Information

Name: _____ Phone No: _____

Address: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

_____ Law School: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

2. Please attach a copy of your current resume and current law school transcript.

3. Please rank your placement preferences 1 through 4 (1 being your first choice):

___ Allegheny Conference on
Community Development

___ Education Law Center

___ KidsVoice

___ Neighborhood Legal Services
Association

4. Describe below any of your past experiences/activities or current public service interests that bear on whether you should be selected for a Fellowship. Such information may include, examples of past commitments to public service, relevant specialized skills or training, or unique perspectives you could offer. If necessary, please attach a second page.

5. Please list the names and telephone numbers of two references who would be willing to provide oral or written recommendations on your behalf:

Name _____ Position _____ Phone _____

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6. You may attach a short (one page or less) personal statement explaining why you are interested in the K&L Gates Public Interest Fellowship Program and what you hope to gain or accomplish through the experience.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Please return your completed application form to Deborah L. Turner by October 9, 2009 at the following address:

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