

Keith Wetmore 1L Fellowship for Excellence, Diversity, and Inclusion

2025 Wetmore Fellowship

The Keith Wetmore 1L Fellowship for Excellence, Diversity, and Inclusion is designed to provide exceptional law students with a demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion in the legal profession with the training, mentorship, and exposure necessary for their professional development and engagement. The Fellowship is just one of the many ways Morrison Foerster actualizes its commitment to removing barriers and creating opportunities for talented individuals with diverse experiences in the legal industry.



Program Highlights

- Since 2012, MoFo has awarded 162 fellowships.
- Annual pre-summer program kick-off brings together Wetmore Fellows for a meet-and-greet social followed by a schedule of substantive training and engagement with MoFo attorneys, including members of firm leadership.



Fellowship Recipients Receive

- A paid summer associate position in a MoFo U.S. office following your first year of law school.
- \$50,000 fellowship award distributed in up to two installments contingent upon satisfactory completion of each summer program and acceptance of an offer to return as a 2L summer associate and/or at the acceptance of a full-time associate offer following law school graduation.
- A team of attorney mentors during the Summer Associate Program.
- For the first two years as a full-time associate, Fellows will join the Wetmore Bridge Program (“Bridge”). Bridge is designed to support a seamless transition from law school to professional practice by cultivating meaningful, career-enhancing relationships from the start.



Eligibility Criteria

- Good standing as a first-year law student at an ABA-accredited law school.
- Demonstrated commitment to promoting diversity, inclusion, and accessibility.
- Ability to bring a diverse perspective to the firm as a result of your adaptability, cultural fluency, resilience, and life experiences.
- Demonstrated record of academic achievement, excellent writing and interpersonal skills, leadership, and community involvement.
- U.S. citizenship or authorization to work in the United States.



Application Materials

- Current résumé.
- Transcripts for all degrees (completed and in-progress).
- Personal statement of 500 words or less explaining:
 - Your background and what led you to pursue a law degree.
 - Your interest in MoFo and what you hope to contribute to the firm.
 - Concrete examples of how you have:
 - (1) demonstrated commitment to promoting diversity within your community or otherwise,
 - (2) faced and triumphed over adversity, and/or
 - (3) demonstrated an ability to deepen our culture of inclusion.

Application Procedures

Please visit careers.mofo.com/#apply and click on the “Law Students + Graduates” link to apply for the office for which you wish to be considered. Candidates should apply to one office only.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis from November 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025, and in accordance with your school’s recruiting guidelines. All application materials should be uploaded in PDF format.

Questions?

For more information and to answer any questions about the program, please contact Jen Grant, Attorney Diversity + Inclusion Manager, at JenniferGrant@mofo.com.

For more information about our diversity and inclusion initiatives, please visit mofo.com/culture/diversity. To learn more about MoFo’s Summer Associate Program, please visit mofo.com/careers-mofo-to-go.