

The Chief Justice Edward F. Hennessey Fellowship

About the Hennessey Summer Fellowship

The MENTAL HEALTH LEGAL ADVISORS COMMITTEE established the Chief Justice Edward F. Hennessey Fellowship at its 35th anniversary celebration at the John Adams Courthouse on October 2, 2008. The summer Fellowship honors the former Chief Justice and perpetuates the memory of his many contributions to protect the due process rights of all citizens, including those involved with the mental health system.

Each year a small committee of MHLAC staff and board members will select a deserving law school student with a demonstrated commitment to mental health advocacy to serve as an Edward F. Hennessey Fellow. The student will receive a stipend of \$6,000 to work for ten weeks during the summer with MHLAC or another Massachusetts legal service program to advance the rights of persons with mental illness and their families.

Application Requirements and Process

MHLAC invites law students in good standing enrolled in a United States law school to apply. Student applicants must show a commitment to public interest law with specific experience working with persons with mental illness considered a plus. Students must be available to work ten (10) continuous, full-time weeks during the summer.

All applicants for the Edward F. Hennessey Fellowship must complete an Applicant Information Form (AIF) and submit it together with their essay, resume, official law school transcript, and two letters of reference.

Applications are due no later than close of business on March 15, 2010. Decisions will be rendered on April 15, 2010.

For more information, contact Kate Dulit, Esq., Director of Training and Communication, MHLAC by phone: 617 338 2345 x30 or email: kdulit@mhlac.org.

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Applicant Information Form (AIF)

Part One: Personal

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Undergraduate College/University
and Degree Received _____

Law School _____

Year _____ GPA _____

Honors _____

Language(s) other
than English _____

Fluency Level _____ native speaker _____ college study _____

Part Two: Essay Question

In an essay that is single-spaced and no more than three typed pages, please address the following:

Describe the factors that went into your decision to apply for this Fellowship in mental health law, including your particular skills and talents as well as past experience. Please also address what you hope to gain from the experience.

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Part Three: Submitting your Application Packet

A complete application packet includes:

- Application Information Form (AIF)
- Essay
- Resume
- Official law school transcript
- Two letters of reference (one academic and one other)

Send your complete application packet by March 15, 2010 to:

Ellie Sarcia, Administrative Assistant
MHLAC
399 Washington Street, 4th floor
Boston, MA 02108
esarcia@mhlac.org

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
501 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116



January 22, 2010

Summer Law Clerk Position

MetLife is seeking a current law student to fill a Summer Law Clerk Position in its office located in Boston, Massachusetts. The clerkship is for 10-weeks beginning May 24, 2010 and ending July 30, 2010. The law clerk is expected to work 40 hours per week and will be compensated at a rate of \$32.50 per hour. Practice areas in the Boston office generally include: Insurance, Marketing, Advanced Sales and Securities Products and Regulations.

Applicants may send their resumes to:

Robin McCoy
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
501 Boylston Street
Boston, MA 02116
Email: rmccoy1@metlife.com

No phone calls please.

To be considered for the position, resumes must be received by no later than **February 26, 2010**. If sent by e-mail, the subject line should state: "Summer Law Clerk Position". Please submit resume either by U.S. mail or e-mail; do not send it both ways.

Due to the anticipated number of resumes, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted and resumes received after February 26, 2010 will not be considered.

Equal Opportunity Employer

MetLife is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE). Qualified applicants are considered for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, national origin, citizenship status (if legally authorized to work in the United States), disability, covered veteran status, or marital status. If you need assistance or an accommodation during the application process because of a disability, it is available upon request. The company is pleased to provide such assistance, and no applicant will be penalized as a result of such a request.

Legal Affairs Mission:

To provide exceptional professional services to our business partners and be the best in class for all of our disciplines.



2010 CHINA SUMMER LEGAL INTERNS – BEIJING OFFICE

The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), one of the world's most effective environmental organizations, is seeking 1-2 China Summer Legal Interns to work in its Beijing office. NRDC hires passionate students who possess the intelligence, skill, self-confidence, and maturity to take on significant responsibility. In exchange for their hard work, our interns will have an opportunity to play an active role on the frontlines of the environmental movement in China.

China Summer Legal Interns will work with the staff of NRDC's China Environmental Law Project to carry out research and implement programming related to environmental law, legal development, environmental public interest litigation, environmental health governance, and/or climate change. Internships typically last from ten to twelve weeks. No funding will be provided, and interns have typically been able to secure funding through their schools or other sources. Work is mainly based in NRDC's Beijing office, but may require some travel within China.

Qualifications

- Current candidates for J.D. degrees or environment-related graduate degrees, with relevant academic backgrounds and work experience.
- Ability to work independently on research and writing regarding the China Environmental Law Project's areas of work.
- Working proficiency in both English and Chinese is preferred.

How to Apply

Applicants should send a resume, writing sample, and cover letter to xzhang@nrdc.org by February 15, 2010. Offers will be made on a rolling basis to well-qualified candidates, so we strongly encourage you to apply as early as possible.



VABAW Hồng Đức Clerkship Summer 2010

Thank you for your interest in the Vietnamese American Bar Association of Washington (VABAW) Hồng Đức Clerkship ("Clerkship"). VABAW recognizes that an international perspective will greatly enrich and broaden a law student's legal education and experience. To that end, VABAW created the Hồng Đức Clerkship in 2007. The Hồng Đức Clerkship provides a law student ("Clerkship Recipient") with the opportunity to clerk at an international or Vietnam-based law firm in Vietnam for a maximum of three summer months. The Clerkship Recipient has the unique opportunity to learn about the local cultures and customs firsthand while living in Vietnam and to learn about international and comparative law by working at an international or Vietnam-based law firm. The Clerkship will award up to a total of \$5,000, with approximately \$2,000 applied to a round-trip airfare ticket to Vietnam and a maximum of \$1,000 for each month of the Clerkship paid directly to the Clerkship Recipient for living expenses.

Applicants will be evaluated by the VABAW Selection Committee based upon the following criteria: (1) overall academic background; (2) community service involvement; (3) professional interests; (4) communication skills; (5) personal statement; (6) references; (7) writing abilities; (8) resume; (9) connection to Washington state; (10) connection to or interest in the Vietnamese American community; and (11) interview (for out of state applicants, VABAW will arrange for a telephonic or video interview). The decisions of VABAW are final.

All application materials must be **received by February 19, 2010, by 5 pm (PST)**. Application materials may be submitted in one of two ways:

- By hard copy (*postal or express mail only; no personal or courier deliveries will be accepted*) to Peter Chu, Christensen O'Connor Johnson Kindness PLLC, 1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2800, Seattle, WA 98101; or
- By legible pdf copy via email to peter.chu@cojk.com.

If you have any questions, please visit www.vabaw.com/foundation.aspx or contact Peter Chu at 206.695.1636

What does "Hồng Đức" mean?

VABAW's Hồng Đức Clerkship is named after the fifteenth-century legal code created by Emperor Le Thanh Tong. The Hồng Đức Code became the country's governing body of law for more than 300 years and is considered to be the most important legal document in Vietnam's legal history. Although based on Chinese law, it included distinctly Vietnamese features and contained advanced legal concepts that are comparable or equivalent to those in modern Western law. Contrary to Chinese customs, the Code recognized the higher position of women in Vietnamese society than in Chinese society by granting daughters and sons equal inheritance rights. Further, the Code recognized modern concepts such as statutory rape, spousal immunity, a prohibition against ex post facto law, a statute of limitations, incapacity of minors to contract, adverse possession, and easement. It also recognized the rights which Americans today regard as "fundamental civil liberties." VABAW recognizes the Hồng Đức Code as a

significant achievement of the Vietnamese legal tradition and a reflection of the spirit and traditions of the Vietnamese people.

Requirements for Eligibility

The Clerkship is open to all law students in the United States. The applicant must be:

- A 1L, 2L, or 3L law student in a graduate law program (*i.e.*, JD, LLM);
- In good standing and currently enrolled for the 2009-2010 academic year and will be enrolled in the 2010-2011 academic year at an ABA-accredited law school;
- A citizen or a permanent resident of the United States;
- Eligible to work and study in Vietnam under any applicable visa requirements; and
- In possession of or be able to obtain a valid U.S. passport (unless you are a Permanent Resident of the US)

Application Materials

Each applicant must submit the following: (1) a completed and signed application form; (2) a personal statement (1,000 words or less); (3) a legal writing sample (5 page limit); (4) a recommendation letter; (5) the most recent law school transcript (unofficial accepted); (6) a current resume; and (7) a signed release form.

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Selection Procedure

The Selection Committee shall review the applicants on an individual, case-by-case basis, and take into consideration the student's overall academic and professional work background, community involvement, professional interests, communication skills, references, personal statement, and writing sample. Finalists will be selected for an interview before one final Clerkship Recipient is chosen (for out of state applicants, VABAW will arrange for a telephonic or video interview).

VABAW, in its sole discretion, shall make a final determination as to the Clerkship Recipient selected for participation in the Clerkship. Alternates may be selected at the discretion of VABAW in the event the Clerkship Recipient declines the clerkship offer for any reason. Further, VABAW, in its sole discretion, may decide not to award the Hồng Đức Clerkship to any applicant for 2010.

The participating law firms will also have an opportunity to review the Clerkship Recipient's materials. Although VABAW anticipates that the Clerkship Recipient will have a chance to pick among the law firms on VABAW's list, VABAW cannot guarantee that the Clerkship Recipient will receive his or her choice of firms as the participating law firms have changing needs that will dictate whether each firm can accommodate the Clerkship Recipient for the summer.

The Clerkship Recipient will not be allowed to split his or her summer 2010 with other law firms or another study abroad program.

The Clerkship Recipient will be expected to make a live 5-10 minute presentation at VABAW's Fifth Annual Banquet to be held in October or November 2010. During and at the conclusion of the Clerkship, the Clerkship Recipient will be expected to create (and grant all intellectual property rights) to a photojournal and written journal to be published at www.vabaw.com

Timeline

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| February 19, 2010: | Deadline for All Application Materials to be Received by VABAW |
| Week of February 22, 2010: | Finalists for Clerkship will be Interviewed |
| March 8, 2010: | Clerkship Recipient Notified |
| March 22, 2010: | Recipient Matched with Participating Law Firm |
| Mid-May to mid-August: | Clerkship Timeline for the Clerkship Recipient on a semester school schedule (Tentative) |
| Mid-June to mid-Sept.: | Clerkship Timeline for the Clerkship Recipient on a quarter school schedule (Tentative) |

2010 Participating Law Firms

VABAW encourages all applicants to review further the participating law firm's websites.

Fraser Law Company

www.frasersvn.com

Fraser's was the first foreign law firm to receive a foreign law company license in Vietnam and is able to provide international and Vietnamese legal advice to both foreign and local clients within one unified firm. Fraser's fusion of skills, experience and local knowledge means its clients receive expert advice which attains the highest international standards, and is practical in the Vietnamese context. Fraser's ranks in the top tier of international law firms practicing in Vietnam and this is evidenced by the leading global players the firm represents. Fraser's provides expertise as well as an in-depth understanding of the business for clients considering a foreign country for potential investment or expansion, an understanding of local business practices and the legal, political and regulatory issues that are involved is fundamental to the success of any venture. Mark Fraser, CEO and Managing Lawyer, has been advising clients on transactions in Vietnam since 1994. With one of the largest teams of international and local lawyers in Vietnam, Fraser's can assist corporations through all the steps of conducting business in Vietnam. Through Fraser's association with Freehills, the firm is able to provide top

commercial Vietnamese and international legal advice, with the resources and expertise of more than 1000 lawyers, across South-East Asia and Australia.

Lovells

www.lovells.com

Lovells is one of the largest international business legal practices, with over 3,000 people operating from 26 offices in Europe, Asia and the US. The firm advises many of the world's largest corporations, financial institutions and government organizations. Lovells regularly acts on complex, multi-jurisdictional transactions and commercial disputes. Lovells offers a broad range of legal expertise, including Intellectual Property, Real Estate, Construction & Engineering, Competition and Labor law. The firm has offices in Beijing and Shanghai, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Singapore and Ho Chi Minh City.

Russin & Vecchi, LLC

www.russinvecchi.com.vn

From 1967 to 1975, Russin & Vecchi, LLC was the only foreign law firm in Vietnam. At that time, Russin & Vecchi represented multinational banks, petroleum, construction, and manufacturing companies. Today, many of those companies have returned to Vietnam, and are again represented by Russin & Vecchi. Russin & Vecchi reopened its office in Ho Chi Minh City in January 1993 to provide legal advice on foreign investment and commercial matters. The Hanoi office was opened in April 1994. Russin & Vecchi brings a tested awareness of Vietnamese law, practice and culture. Russin & Vecchi provides its clients with practical advice and solutions. Much of the work is performed for foreign companies as they begin or expand their operations in Vietnam. These areas include foreign direct investment in manufacturing, power and other sectors; business operations; banking; agency and distribution; representative offices and branches; intellectual property; franchising; tax planning; hotels, resorts and property development. Offices are staffed by Vietnamese law graduates trained in local law, and by expatriate attorneys familiar with international legal standards and practice. The Vietnam offices work closely with other Russin & Vecchi offices in Asia, Washington, D.C., New York and elsewhere.

For Further Information

For additional information about the VABAW Hồng Đức Clerkship, please refer to VABAW's website at www.vabaw.com/foundation.aspx or contact Peter Chu at 206.695.1636.



VABAW Hồng Đức Clerkship Application Summer 2010

A completed application must include all of the following:

1. This completed application form signed and dated by the applicant.
2. A separate personal statement explaining your interest in comparative law and/or international law in Vietnam and why you are the best candidate for the Clerkship (1,000 words or less).
3. A legal writing sample (Maximum 5 pages).
4. A letter of recommendation (which may be included in the applicant's packet or mailed/emailed directly to peter.chu@cojk.com separately)
5. Most recent law school transcript (unofficial accepted).
6. Resume.
7. Signed Release Form.

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SECTION ONE: NAME AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Citizenship:

- ☐ U.S.A.
☐ Permanent Resident (How long have you lived in the U.S.? _____)
☐ Other: _____

Law School: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

Undergraduate College/University: _____

Undergraduate Degree: _____

Year of Graduation: _____

Level of Proficiency in Vietnamese (if selected for an interview, we will inquire further):

	None	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced
Reading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please explain here or in your personal statement your connection to Washington state: _____

SECTION TWO: COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, WORK HISTORY, AND AWARDS

1. Please list your community service activities or other extra-curricular activities that you believe are relevant and should be considered in the evaluation. Please indicate if you held a leadership position (if you need additional space, please attach a separate statement). _____
2. List any honors/awards you have received in undergraduate or law school that you believe are relevant and should be considered in the evaluation (If you need additional space, please attach a separate statement). _____
3. Employment. List your full or part-time employment and your job responsibilities since graduating from high school (If you need additional space, please attach a separate statement). _____

SECTION THREE: DISCIPLINARY ACTION

4. Have you been placed on academic probation or been required to withdraw from any school for academic reasons? ☐Y ☐N
5. Have you ever been the subject of any disciplinary action taken by any school or college, or are charges pending? ☐Y ☐N
6. Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? Or is any charge pending against you for any crime other than a minor traffic violation? ☐Y ☐N

If your answer to any of these questions (4-6) is "yes," please explain fully in a separate statement.

SECTION FOUR: ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

To complete your application, you are required to submit the following additional materials:

- Please include a separate personal statement explaining why you are interested in comparative law and/or international law in Vietnam and why you are the best candidate for the Clerkship (1,000 words or less);
- A legal writing sample (Maximum 5 pages);
- A letter of recommendation (which may be included in the applicant's packet or mailed/emailed directly to peter.chu@cojk.com separately);
- Most recent law school transcript (unofficial accepted); and
- Resume.

SECTION FIVE: CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information given on this application is complete and accurate. I understand that providing false or misleading will be the basis for denial or revocation of Clerkship funds.

I understand that obtaining any applicable work or student visa for Vietnam, a valid passport, and housing are my responsibility. I understand that my failure to complete the entire term of the Clerkship program will be the basis for the return of all funds paid to me by VABAW.

Signature of Applicant

Date: _____

RELEASE FORM

This is to confirm that the undersigned has applied for the Hồng Đức Clerkship administered by the Vietnamese American Bar Association of Washington (VABAW).

As consideration for VABAW's Hồng Đức Clerkship, the undersigned hereby grants VABAW the right to use in all media, my name, and, if VABAW so chooses, excerpts from my application, in connection with VABAW's publicity about the Clerkship.

I acknowledge that I will deliver a live 5-10 minute presentation at VABAW's Fifth Annual Banquet to be held in October or November 2010. Travel costs, if any, incurred related to attendance at the Fifth Annual Banquet will be my responsibility.

I also acknowledge that I will create a photojournal and written journal, during and at the conclusion of the clerkship duration, which will be published on www.vabaw.com. Costs, if any, related to the creation of a photojournal and written journal will be my responsibility. I will grant all intellectual property rights to the photojournal and written journal to VABAW.

If the foregoing terms are satisfactory, please sign and date this agreement below and return it with your application.

Execution of this Agreement does not obligate VABAW to select you as a Clerkship Recipient, nor to publish your information or other materials.

I hereby consent to the use of information about myself and my application, as stated and described herein, and agree with the provisions of this release form:

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____