THE JOHN S. NOLAN FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES

I. Considerations

1. The nominee must be a current member of the American Bar Association Section of Taxation (“Tax Section”), and shall, at the time of nomination, have made some significant contribution to a Tax Section Committee or Task Force, or to the Tax Section in general.

2. It is generally recommended that the nominee shall be a member of the bar of any state or the District of Columbia for ten (10) years or less and be under forty (40) years of age. One or both of the years of bar membership limitation or the age limitation may be waived by the Tax Section Chair-Elect (after consultation with the Chair) in appropriate circumstances. If a waiver is desired for a particular candidate, please contact the Chair-Elect in advance of submitting the related nomination.

3. The nominee should intend to be a continuing, contributing and active member of the Tax Section.

II. Nomination Process

1. Nominations may be submitted by Officers, Council Directors, Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Tax Section, on a nomination form to be provided by the Tax Section, and must include adequate supporting information.

2. Nominations should be made by a person who is not affiliated with the same professional organization with which the nominee is affiliated. Unusual circumstances may justify a nomination coming from within a person’s own professional organization. This restriction may be waived by the Tax Section Chair-Elect (after consultation with the Chair) in appropriate circumstances. If a waiver is desired for a particular candidate, please contact the Chair-Elect in advance of submitting the related nomination.

3. Announcement of up to six (6) Nolan Fellows each year will be made at a regularly scheduled plenary session of the Tax Section.

III. Selection of Nolan Fellows

1. The Chair-Elect shall be charged with responsibility for administration of the John S. Nolan Fellowship Program.

2. The selection of Nolan Fellows will be made by a committee consisting of the Tax Section Chair, the Chair-Elect, and the Vice Chair -Committee Operations.
3. Selection shall be completed at least a month before the general Tax Section meeting preceding the meeting where the announcement of new Nolan Fellows is made.

IV. Recognition and Commitments

1. Nolan Fellows will serve for a term of one year commencing at the beginning of the American Bar Association’s fiscal year (currently September 1).

2. Nolan Fellows will be recognized during a regularly scheduled plenary session of the Tax Section and in a formal publication of the Tax Section. Nolan Fellows will also be listed in the Tax Section Blue Book.

3. Each Nolan Fellow will attend at least one, and may attend up to three Tax Section general meetings during the recognition year (current general meetings include the Fall, Midyear and May meetings). Meeting registration fees and ticketed events will be complimentary for such meetings. Travel expenses to such meetings will be reimbursed based on a zone schedule established by the Tax Section.

4. Each Nolan Fellow will actively participate in and contribute to at least one substantive committee or task force of the Tax Section during the recognition year.

5. Each Nolan Fellow will participate in activities to attract young professionals, including diverse professionals, to the Tax Section and assist them in integrating into the Tax Section. Some examples include, but are not limited to, attending orientation sessions for young professionals at Tax Section meetings, collaborating with the Young Lawyers Forum in efforts to connect young professionals with Tax Section members, helping Tax Section staff prepare materials and communications for young professionals, and contributing ideas about how the Tax Section can attract more young professionals to the Section and Section meetings.

6. Each Nolan Fellow should participate in one tax-related pro bono activity and/or Section publication during the recognition year.

7. Each Nolan Fellow will submit to demarcus.freeman@americanbar.org a report about their experience and activity as a Fellow within 90 days of the May Meeting (or the final meeting attended through the fellowship if not the May Meeting).