APPLICATION FOR ABA SECTION OF TAXATION
DIVERSITY & INCLUSION SCHOLARSHIP
2020 VIRTUAL FALL TAX MEETING

The Tax Section (the “Section”) embraces diversity and inclusion in every aspect of its activities. Diversity of membership guarantees a variety of unique and valuable skills and provides perspectives for the Section and for the profession. The Section will award scholarships in the form of a waiver of the meeting registration fee for the 2020 virtual Fall Tax Meeting for diverse practitioners and for practitioners with a demonstrated commitment to promoting diversity within the Section. Reimbursement is provided after the meeting to scholarship recipients upon submission of an expense reimbursement form (with documentation) and completion of the requirements below under “Scholarship Recipient Duties”.

Eligibility
1. Complete the application at the end of this form, attaching the required statement.
2. Be an attorney, CPA, EA, JD student or LLM student with a demonstrated commitment to tax practice and, for the tax practitioners, be a member in good standing with the relevant licensing authority.

Selection Criteria
The Selection Committee will consider an applicant’s desire to be an active meeting participant and his or her commitment to advocating for, and contributing to, diversity in the profession. Although priority is given to first-time applicants, previous recipients who have demonstrated their professionalism, upheld their commitments as a scholarship recipient, and availed themselves of a meeting’s opportunities by attending a variety of panels and events, can be considered for additional scholarships. Incomplete or untimely applications will only be considered in the Selection Committee’s discretion.

Scholarship Recipient Duties
Within 90 days after the Section meeting, a scholarship recipient will:

☐ Provide a list of the substantive committee panels and networking event(s) attended;
☐ Provide a short summary, not to exceed 125 words, of his or her experience attending a Section meeting (e.g., reactions to particular committee panels and networking opportunities attended, and the likelihood that the recipient will attend a future Section meeting (why or why not)); and
☐ Provide recommendations, not to exceed 125 words, about how the Section might improve its commitment to diversity and inclusion.

Recipients should submit the list, summary and recommendations to Meg Newman, Chief Counsel, at Taxlservice@americanbar.org.
Application for Diversity and Inclusion Scholarship

Please complete and sign this application and include the required attachments, and submit it to Meg Newman, Chief Counsel, at Taxlserve@americanbar.org by 5 p.m. EST on September 15, 2020.

Name: _______________________________ Phone: _______________________________
Address: _______________________________ Position: □ JD Student □ LLM Student
                                               □ Government □ Law Firm □ Academia
                                               □ Accounting Firm □ Legal Services
Email: _______________________________ □ Other: _______________________________

A. List two substantive committees with which you would like to engage (in addition to the Diversity Committee)
   1. _______________________________
   2. _______________________________

B. In an attachment, please provide a short answer to the following question (no more than 125 words in total): Why are you applying for the scholarship?

C. Are you a member of the American Bar Association? □ Yes □ No
   If yes, please provide your ABA Membership # _______________

D. Are you a member of the Section? □ Yes □ No

E. Have you attended a Section meeting before? □ Yes □ No
   If yes, when? _______________________________

F. Have you received this scholarship before? □ Yes □ No
   If yes, when? _______________________________

By signing below, I confirm that I have read and am familiar with the Section’s Diversity and Inclusion Plan which can be found at: https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/administrative/taxation/resources/2018-diversity-plan.pdf

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Signature and Date