

## FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2015–2016 Nolan Fellows

The Section of Taxation announced the recipients of the 2015 John S. Nolan Fellowships during its Midyear Meeting in Houston this past January. Named for the late John Nolan, Nolan Fellows are young tax lawyers who are actively involved in the Section and have demonstrated leadership qualities.

The six 2015–2016 Nolan Fellows are:

**Jairo G. Cano**

Agostino & Associates  
Hackensack, NJ

**Philip Hirschfeld**

Ruchelman  
New York, NY



**Timothy J. Leska**

Pepper Hamilton  
Philadelphia, PA



**Shawn McIntire**

Donelson Barry  
Broomfield, CO



**Diane Mehany**  
Caplin & Drysdale  
Washington, DC



**Laura R. Westfall**  
King & Spalding  
New York, NY



“After careful consideration, we are proud to recognize these young lawyers as our Nolan Fellows for the coming year,” said Armando Gomez, Chair of the Section of Taxation. “These lawyers have been actively committed to the Section and its goal of improving the tax system. With so many young and diverse lawyers joining the Section’s leadership, I am confident in the Section’s continued growth and success.”

Each one-year fellowship includes the waiver of meeting registration fees and assistance with travel to Section meetings. For more information about the Nolan Fellows program, visit the Section website, <http://www.americanbar.org/groups/taxation/awards/nolans.html>.

### 2015–2017 Christine A. Brunswick Public Service Fellows

The recipients of the Section of Taxation’s 2015–2017 Christine A. Brunswick Public Service Fellowships are:

- **Frank DiPietro**, a recent graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School, will be working with Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid to provide direct services to immigrants seeking to become compliant with the U.S. tax obligations along their path to U.S. citizenship. Frank will also provide tax assistance to veterans in the Minnesota area through the Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans.
- **Daniel Knudsen**, scheduled to graduate from the University of Montana Law School in May, will be working with Oklahoma Indian Legal Services to provide tax advocacy and representation to Native American tribal governments and individual tribal taxpayers.

The Section’s Public Service Fellowship program was developed in 2008 to address the need for tax legal assistance and to foster an interest in tax-related public service. In 2013, the program was renamed the Christine A. Brunswick Public Service Fellowship in honor of the late Christine Brunswick, the Section’s Executive Director for over 25 years. Christine was a strong proponent of advancing pro bono public service efforts on behalf of underserved taxpayers and fostering a fair and equitable tax system. Under her leadership, the Tax Section devoted significant resources to further that goal.

The Fellowships provide funding for the Fellows’ salaries and benefits, as well as law school debt assistance, by means of charitable contributions to the sponsoring organizations. All applications are reviewed, and the successful applicants selected, by the Section’s Public Service Fellowship Committee. The Section awards as many as two Fellowships each year. For more information about the program, visit the website at [www.americanbar.org/groups/taxation/awards/psfellowship.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/taxation/awards/psfellowship.html). ■