**Dale Minami Public Interest Fellowship – 2016-2017 Application**

The Dale Minami Public Interest Fellowship was created in 2007 to provide fellowship awards to Berkeley Law (Boalt Hall) alumni who have shown a strong commitment to serving the public interest. **This year's award will be $15,000.** Minami Fellows are selected for their diverse backgrounds, record of exceptional academic and professional accomplishment, leadership in community service, and commitment to social justice and public interest work. The award can be used to supplement annual income or used toward bar exam preparation expenses. Priority will be given to applicants who have worked with the Asian American Pacific Islander community. Individuals working in any range of public interest jobs, including government work, are invited to apply.

The Fellowship recipient will be honored at our annual Dale Minami Public Interest Fellowship Dinner, which will take place on **Friday, February 3, 2017** in San Francisco, CA.

**All application materials must be completed and received by 6:00 PM (Pacific Time) on December 31, 2016.  Please e-mail applications to: minamifellowship@gmail.com**

A complete application must include the following items:

1. A completed and signed fellowship application form;
2. Your current resume (please include information on education, community activities and work experience, etc.); and
3. A typed personal statement of 500 words or less describing your commitment to and plans for a legal career in public service.

*Incomplete applications will not be considered.*

Visit our website at http://www.dmfellowship.org for more information about the Dale Minami Fellowship Program and dinner. Please contact any of the co-chairs listed below if you have any questions about this process.

Sincerely,

The Dale Minami Public Interest Fellowship Co-Chairs

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**Instructions:** Please answer each question completely and accurately. When necessary, please use additional pages to complete your responses.  Please be sure to note the question to which you are responding. *An application is not considered to be complete unless all questions are answered.*

**1. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Last Name
First Name       Middle Initial

E-mail address
Telephone

**Current Address**
Street Address
City       State       Zip Code

**Permanent Address** (if different from above)
Street Address
City       State       Zip Code

**Please indicate how you would like us to contact you regarding your application:**
[ ]  e-mail [ ]  current address [ ] permanent address

[ ]  Other (please specify)

**2. EDUCATION**

J.D. Graduation Date:

**3. PERSONAL STATEMENT (500 words):** Please detail why you chose a career in public interest and how you see your work improving the community.  Please also include any facts relating to your financial condition or any other circumstances that you feel is relevant to the committee. Your personal statement should be on a separate page.

**4. SIGNATURE:**

I understand that the Dale Minami Fellowship Board will rely on the information contained in this application. The above statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I understand the following:

* The Fellowship recipient will be required to attend a dinner in their honor, which is currently scheduled for **Friday, February 3, 2016** in San Francisco, CA.
* The Fellowship recipient will be requested to provide a recent digital photograph of themselves upon receiving notification of their award. Please do not send photos with the Application.
* The Dale Minami Fellowship Board reserves the right to use information from applications as part of its publicity of the Dale Minami Public Interest Fellowship.

Full Name of Applicant:
Initials: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Typing your initials shall be considered your electronic signature.)
Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_