



# Garden State Bar Association and Archer & Greiner Announce New Diversity Scholarship with Support from Panasonic

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The Garden State Bar Association (GSBA) and Archer & Greiner have announced a new scholarship program with support from Panasonic Corporation of North America. The Archer GSBA Diversity Scholarship (Scholarship) was established to identify, support and train exceptionally qualified diverse law students who demonstrate the characteristics needed to become future leaders in the legal profession. Designed for rising second-year law students, the Scholarship will provide the recipient with financial support, ongoing mentoring, and hands-on experience during the summer of 2018 working at a law firm and a corporate legal department.

Candidates should demonstrate outstanding academic achievements, exceptional leadership qualities, and have a demonstrated connection to, and/or intent to practice law in, the tri-state area. The recipient will receive a \$2,500 scholarship along with a paid 9-week summer position in 2018, fulfilled through working a 5-week internship with Archer & Greiner, followed immediately by an additional 4-week internship with the in-house legal department of Newark, NJ-based Panasonic Corporation of North America, a leading technology partner and integrator to businesses, government agencies and consumers, which has agreed to be the in-house collaborator for the Scholarship's inaugural year.

Ongoing mentorship is a critical element of the program. The Selection Committee's goal will be not only to help students financially, but also to take an active and ongoing role in identifying and furthering the professional development of future leaders in the legal profession. The Scholarship recipient will receive ongoing mentoring and support from members of the Selection Committee during, and after, his or her internship.

In announcing the scholarship, Lloyd Freeman, Partner, Archer & Greiner, and member of the firm's Diversity Committee said, "Archer & Greiner is committed to fostering diversity and inclusion in our firm, and it is with great pleasure that we are able to extend that commitment to include this collaboration with the GSBA and Panasonic."

Joining the announcement, Damien Atkins, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Panasonic Corporation of North America said, “Panasonic is pleased to join GSBA in this important initiative to identify and foster the professional growth of exceptional minority law school students. The opportunity provides another important avenue for Panasonic to continue to deliver on our commitment to diversity and inclusion.”

Freeman, also the President of the GSBA added, “This scholarship will work to attract outstanding African-Americans and other ethnic minority law students to the legal profession in our region, and that is an objective the organization completely supports.”

Applications for the Scholarship are accepted online only. They can be found on the GSBA website at [www.gardenstatebar.org](http://www.gardenstatebar.org). The deadline to apply is March 2, 2018. Applicants will be required to submit their resume, official copies of their undergraduate and law school transcripts, as well as an essay. More information about the Scholarship can be found on the GSBA website. Any questions should be directed to [lfreeman@archerlaw.com](mailto:lfreeman@archerlaw.com)

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