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**International Scholar in Residence Program – Announcement
February 2012**

The Section of Antitrust Law is pleased to announce the creation of its International Scholar in Residence (“SAL SIR”) Program. For the academic years 2012-13 and 2013-14, the program will provide funding of up to \$10,000.00 USD for each of one (1) or two (2) scholars to visit the United States to pursue their competition policy-related research.

Applications are invited from junior faculty members (those who have been engaged in full-time teaching for five years or less) as well as current or recent Ph.D. students who have a demonstrated interest in the study of competition policy. SAL SIR would be expected to visit the United States for a period between six (6) weeks and three (3) months, likely during the Spring semester. During their time in the U.S., SAL SIR will conduct research, meet and interact with members of the U.S. antitrust community, and hopefully attend and possibly participate in one or more of the SAL’s principal meetings, such as the annual Spring Meeting, which is held in Washington, D.C. Although arrangements can be tailored to the particular needs of each scholar’s research proposal, it is expected that SAL SIR will be resident in Washington for at least some of their time in the U.S., so they can have access to federal agency personnel as well as a range of academics, lawyers, and consulting firms. SAL SIR can also propose short visits to state enforcement agencies or U.S. academic institutions outside of Washington, D.C., provided the visit will advance their research.

Application Process and Contents

Each Applicant must submit an application to the “SAL SIR Selection Committee” that includes the following:

- A cover letter/statement of interest describing the Applicant’s current position, research interests related to competition policy, and qualifications to serve as a SAL SIR.
- A current curriculum vitae.
- A specific and significant research proposal (typically 3-5 single-spaced pages) that includes a description of steps already taken in furtherance of the research and an explanation of how the proposal would be significantly advanced through work in residence in the

- Two letters of recommendation from current faculty members familiar with the candidate and her/his work, evaluating the Applicant's ability to undertake the proposed research, including the Applicant's proficiency in English. In the case of a current faculty member or PhD candidate, one of the letters should come from the Dean, Director, or Head of School of the applicant's home institution or program, indicating (1) the Applicant's good standing in the institution; (2) the institution's willingness to grant the Applicant the necessary leave time; and (3) an intention to support the Applicant's research as a SAL SIR, including whether any home institution funds will be provided in support of the visit. In the case of current or recent PhD candidates, one letter should come from the faculty adviser who is supervising or who supervised the Applicant's doctoral research.
- If applicable, a statement of interest in visiting any academic institutions or enforcement agencies outside of Washington, D.C., such as the offices of a State Attorney General, along with a justification for the specific goals sought to be achieved by the "side visit" and a supportive letter of invitation from a representative of the institution to be visited.
- A proposed budget that covers principal transportation, lodging, and other related expenses.
- A description of the particular deliverable that the Applicant intends to produce as a result of her/his visit, such as an article, book, book chapter, or report for use by a government or non-government agency focused on competition policy issues. Successful applicants also will agree that any deliverable prepared in whole or part with the support of the SAL SIR program will so indicate with the specific language approved by the SAL.
- Any other material the Applicant would like the Selection Committee to consider.

In judging the proposals received, the SAL SIR Selection Committee will be guided by: the strength and specificity of the research proposal, the likelihood that the Applicant's overall research goals could better be realized through participation in the program, evidence of past scholarly productivity, the letters of recommendation, the mix of research topics selected for support under the program as a whole, and diversity in terms of home institutions, national origin, race, religion, and gender.

Although SAL SIR will be responsible for making all of their own travel and accommodation arrangements, the SAL will assist in providing guidance on making arrangements to secure working space at a Washington, D.C.-area academic institution

where they can carry on their research. The SAL will also help to facilitate meetings and interviews with a range of enforcers, academics, and private consultants who could advise SAL SIR on their specific research topics.

Deadline for Applications

The deadline for submitting an application to be considered for appointment as an SAL SIR for the 2012-13 academic year is March 30, 2012. The SAL SIR Selection Committee hopes to announce its selections by June 1, 2012. Applications should be submitted to Deborah D. Morgan, Assistant Director, American Bar Association, Section of Antitrust Law, preferably via email at Deborah.Morgan@americanbar.org, or, if necessary by mail to:

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