

Perkins Coie Statement on Diversity and Inclusion Fellowship Program

CHICAGO (October 6, 2023)—Perkins Coie has released the following statement on improvements to strengthening its D&I commitments with a new Diversity and Inclusion Fellowship Program.

"Our new Diversity and Inclusion Fellowship Program continues Perkins Coie's long-standing and deep-rooted commitment to advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion within our firm and across the legal profession," said [Genhi Givings Bailey](#), Perkins Coie's chief diversity and inclusion officer. "We are proud of our firm's progress and even as the legal landscape evolves, our commitment to strengthening diversity and creating a more inclusive workplace remains steadfast."

The new Diversity and Inclusion Fellowship Program expands the applicant pool to all and clarifies the factors that the firm will consider in selecting fellows. The revised criteria will ensure that the firm continues to hire accomplished lawyers with a diversity of backgrounds and experiences. These changes arose from an update to Perkins Coie's D&I policies that began shortly after the U.S. Supreme Court decision in the *Students for Fair Admissions Inc. v. President & Fellows of Harvard College* case earlier this year.

The new program criteria will apply to first-year law student applications for the 2024 program. The program description is available [here](#).

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