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### 31 EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN SECOND YEAR OF FCBA DIVERSITY PIPELINE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

#### *Tech Bar Pipeline Program Pairs First-Year Law Students with Leading TMT Organizations for Critical Internship Experiences and Related Academic Enrichment, Skills Development, and Mentoring*

Today, the Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA – The Tech Bar) announced that its employer lineup for 2022 has reached capacity at 31 employer participant organizations (including one sponsored internship and one fall internship). Through the Diversity Pipeline Program, now in its second year, the FCBA directly facilitates internship placements, academic enrichment, and mentoring for diverse law students with leading law firms, companies, trade associations, and non-profit organizations in the technology, media, and telecom (TMT) sector.

“Gaining the commitments of 31 employers for our second year is a 50 percent increase over the robust employer participation we had in the inaugural year of the Diversity Pipeline Program. It is reflective of the strong commitment to bring greater diversity to the tech bar and industry,” said Diversity Pipeline Program Co-Chairs **Rudy Brioché** and **Celia Lewis**. “The enthusiastic support from leading organizations in the tech bar is incredible, but it should not be surprising given the high level of legal skill and talent that the student interns brought to their employer organizations last summer. We expect even better in the second year, illustrating the promise of this ground-breaking program to bring diverse young lawyers to leading TMT organizations.”

Last year, 100 first-year law students from over two dozen law schools throughout the U.S. submitted applications for 19 paid internships with 20 employers. The full list of schools and employers is available in the [Diversity Pipeline Program 2021 Annual Report](#).

The Diversity Pipeline Program has launched its [student application portal](#) for 2022; applications will be accepted through December 1, 2021. All interested first-year law students at ABA-accredited law schools from groups underrepresented in the legal profession are encouraged to apply. For more information, interested students should review the [student application packet](#).

The 31 employers participating in the Diversity Pipeline Program’s second year include:

- **Thirteen Law Firms:** Davis Wright Tremaine LLP; Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP; Hogan Lovells US LLP; Jenner & Block LLP; Kelley Drye & Warren LLP; Kellogg, Hansen, Todd, Figel & Frederick, PLLC; Latham & Watkins, LLP; Lerman Senter PLLC; Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C. (fall 2022); Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP; Steptoe & Johnson LLP; Wiley Rein LLP; and Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP.
- **Eleven Corporations:** Altice USA; Amazon.com Services LLC; AT&T Services, Inc.; Comcast NBCUniversal; Cox Enterprises; EchoStar Corporation; SES; Space Exploration Technologies (SpaceX); T-Mobile US; Tripadvisor; and Verizon Communications.

- **Six Trade Associations:** ACA Connects—America's Communications Association; BBB National Programs; CTIA; Internet Association; NCTA—The Internet & Television Association; and USTelecom – The Broadband Association.
- **One Non-Profit Association:** Future of Privacy Forum (sponsored by Loeb & Loeb LLP).

The 2022 Diversity Pipeline Program will also include a second year of the TMT Law and Policy Certificate Program, a complementary academic and skills program for selected student interns and other interested students.

We are eager to make the Diversity Pipeline Program's second year even more impactful than the foundational steps of our inaugural year. For more information, please email [DiversityPipeline@fcba.org](mailto:DiversityPipeline@fcba.org) or contact any of the co-chairs of the Diversity Pipeline Program Committee:

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