

# Sandra Benyamin Honored With 2017 McGlinchey Stafford 1L Diversity Fellowship

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McGlinchey News Release

McGlinchey Stafford PLLC is pleased to announce that it has awarded its 2017 1L Diversity Fellowship to **Sandra Benyamin**.

The award, bestowed annually upon a first-year law student, is a distinguished honor that includes a paid Summer Associate position, a \$5,000 scholarship, and formal mentoring from McGlinchey Stafford attorneys throughout the student's law school career. Benyamin will participate in the Diversity 1L program from the firm's Houston office.

"We are proud to honor such an outstanding law student as Sandra with the McGlinchey Stafford Diversity 1L Scholarship," said **Deirdre McGlinchey**, chair of the firm's Diversity Committee. "McGlinchey Stafford remains committed to improving diversity within the legal profession through the 1L Diversity Fellowship, our Women's Initiative Network, and other internal programs."

Benyamin is a May 2019 J.D. candidate at The University of Texas School of Law in Austin. She is a member of the Women's Law Caucus, Legal Eagles, Texas Business Law Society, Thurgood Marshall Legal Society, and National Society of Collegiate Scholars. She received her B.S. in Human Development and Family Sciences from The University of Texas at Austin in 2016.

As McGlinchey Stafford's 2017 1L Diversity Fellow, Benyamin participated in the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) Scholars Summit, May 23–25 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The event brings together diverse law students from around the country to hone interview skills, prepare for the transition from law student to practicing lawyer, and discuss the state of diversity in the legal profession.

The McGlinchey Stafford 1L Diversity Fellowship reflects the firm's active commitment to creating and maintaining a diverse and inclusive workplace and to promoting diversity within the legal profession. From the firm's inception, McGlinchey Stafford has challenged the status quo and earned a reputation as a progressive, merit-based business that rewards individual achievement and potential. The firm is a member of the LCLD and actively supports the Louis A. Martinet Legal Society and Association of Women Attorneys, among other organizations. The McGlinchey Stafford 1L Diversity Fellowship is simply one aspect of the firm's commitment to attracting, developing, and promoting diverse attorneys.

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