

2026 2L Inclusion Fellowship Program

Knobbe Martens is committed to promoting inclusion in the IP bar and fostering a dynamic and inclusive workplace. As part of that commitment, Knobbe Martens is proud to offer the 2026 2L Inclusion Fellowship Program to second-year students who are demonstrating a commitment to inclusivity in the legal profession.

Program Award

- Paid summer associate position with Knobbe Martens during the summer of 2026.
- A grant of up to \$25,000*

Eligibility

Candidates must:

- Be enrolled in good standing as second-year law students at an ABA accredited law school in the J.D. class of 2027.
- Demonstrate academic and professional achievement, as well as excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Demonstrate leadership abilities and interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrate resilience and excellence within the legal profession.
- Contribute to enhancing community and inclusion at the firm and in the legal profession.
- Be legally eligible to work in the United States.
- Have a strong desire to join Knobbe Martens after graduation.

Application Process & Deadlines

Applications for the 2026 2L Inclusion Fellowship will be accepted through July 31, 2025. Candidates must submit a completed application form; resume; undergraduate, graduate, and law school transcripts; and a one-page personal statement.

Summer Associate Program

- Recipient will be offered a paid summer associate 2L position for the summer of 2026.
- The Knobbe Martens Summer Associate Program runs from mid-May through July. Students will identify their office preference during the application process.
- Recipient must start with Knobbe Martens at the beginning of the Summer Associate Program and stay for at least eight weeks.

Grants

- Upon joining the 2L Summer Associate Program, recipients will receive a grant of \$10,000*.
- Knobbe Martens will award an additional \$15,000* to a recipient who also receives and accepts an associate offer with the firm after completing the 2L Summer Associate Program with Knobbe Martens and remains with the Firm for at least one year as an Associate thereafter.

Who We Are

Knobbe Martens is one of the most highly respected intellectual property law firms, offering all aspects of intellectual property and technology law. The firm's litigation group handles cases throughout the U.S. and coordinates strategy for disputes worldwide. Founded in California in 1962, the firm has about 300 lawyers and scientists based in offices located in Orange County, Los Angeles, New York, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, and Washington D.C. Knobbe Martens serves a diverse international client base, from multinational corporations to emerging businesses of all stages. More information about the firm can be found at www.knobbe.com.

*Less applicable taxes.

Application for 2026 2L Inclusion Fellowship

Submission Instructions

Please submit your application through our website at www.knobbe.com/careers/law-student-recruiting.

If unable to submit via the website, please email your application to: Stephani Nguyen at stephani.nguyen@knobbe.com. Use "Attn: 2L Inclusion Fellowship Program" in the subject line and attach your application materials in a single PDF file.

Only complete applications received by July 31, 2025, will be considered.

Application Checklist

- COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM
- RESUME
- UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE, LAW SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS
- ONE-PAGE PERSONAL STATEMENT

Contact Information

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
LAW SCHOOL	EXPECTED GRADUATION (MM/YYYY)	
TELEPHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS	

Employment Eligibility

Are you legally eligible for employment in the United States? (Proof of eligibility will be required upon employment.)

YES NO

Preferred Offices

Please identify the office that interests you the most. Optional: You may identify a second office, using 1 and 2 to rank your preferences.

LOS ANGELES	ORANGE COUNTY	SAN FRANCISCO	WASHINGTON D.C
NEW YORK	SAN DIEGO	SEATTLE	

Personal Statement

In a single page, please respond to one of the following prompts.

- What is a significant challenge facing inclusivity in the legal industry, and how do you envision building community and an inclusive culture at Knobbe Martens and in the legal profession as a whole?
- Describe a situation in your life where you were resilient and explain how that experience will impact the way you will practice law.