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## Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP Public Service Fellowship Program

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP is proud to announce a Public Service Fellowship Program which offers associates the opportunity to spend one year working on a public service project of their choosing, supported by a stipend from the Firm, with the ability to return to the firm at the Fellowship's conclusion. The Fellowship Program is designed to enable associates to provide greatly needed public service assistance, on a full-time basis, to organizations, communities, or individuals in the United States or abroad.

The Fellowship Program is open to all Simpson Thacher & Bartlett associates firmwide in good standing who are members of the first through third year classes. A limited number of Fellowships (currently expected to be up to fifteen) will be awarded to commence in the spring or summer of 2009. The Fellowship pays a \$60,000 stipend, health insurance benefits and long-term disability and life insurance benefits. Associates may submit project proposals for consideration that are of their own design or as part of existing public service or charitable endeavors. Projects may include activities such as the provision of legal or social services, academic research, policy development, community development, capacity building, programmatic work or other efforts relating to public service. Projects that relate to legal issues or the provision of legal services are particularly encouraged.

The Fellowship Program was established as a way for Simpson Thacher lawyers to make a sustained commitment to public interest work at a time when many public interest organizations are facing significant budgetary constraints while experiencing a tremendous increase in the need for their services. The Firm also expects that its *pro bono* practice will benefit from our Fellows' experiences and connections with public interest organizations when they return to the firm after their fellowship.

Questions about the Fellowship Program, including inquiries from public service providers, should be directed to Harlene Katzman, the Firm's Pro Bono Counsel at <a href="https://hkatzman@stblaw.com">hkatzman@stblaw.com</a> or 212-455-3890.