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for International Law and Justice

AT FORDHAM LAW SCHOOL, NEW YORK CITY

2010 RULE OF LAW IN ASIA FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

The Rule of Law in Asia (ROLA) Program, part of the Leitner Center for International Law and Justice at Fordham Law School (<http://www.leitnercenter.org>), works to study and promote the rule of law and adherence to basic human rights throughout Asia, including in China, Malaysia, North Korea, the Philippines, Vietnam, and elsewhere. The Program aims to do this through advocacy projects; conferences, symposia, and panels; capacity-building initiatives, such as exchanges of lawyers, judges, and scholars; and partnerships with NGOs based both in the U.S. and Asia. Over the past year, the program has focused on the independence of criminal defense lawyers in China and the legal status of North Korean refugees in East Asia.

The ROLA Program is administered by a Fellow who is a law school graduate. The Fellow will conduct research and advocacy for the Program; identify new areas for research; work with the Program's partners; advise students seeking relevant internships and post-graduate employment; coordinate the work of the Committee to Support Chinese Lawyers (<http://www.csclawyers.org>), an initiative housed in the Program; and manage day-to-day administration, including arranging events and lectures. The Fellow may also teach a seminar at the Law School as a member of the adjunct faculty.

Candidates should hold a J.D. or equivalent, and will ideally have some familiarity with Chinese law and international human rights law; experience in international human rights advocacy as exhibited by past internships, clinical experience in law school, and/or post-graduate human rights experience; and proficiency or fluency in Mandarin Chinese or another regional language.

The fellowship is a 12 month position with the Center's option to extend. The Fellowship begins in January 2010. The Fellow's salary is \$50,000 and includes benefits.

The deadline for applications is Friday, October 9, 2009. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered. Applicants should send a statement of interest (including detailed description of your international human rights experience, teaching/mentoring/advising experience, language skills, and how the fellowship will advance your professional goals), résumé/CV, law school transcript, and at least two references in one complete application package to:

“2010 Fellowship”/ Rule of Law in Asia Program
Leitner Center for International Law and Justice
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