

Shook Associate Named LCLD Fellow 2018

Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) Fellows Program identifies high-potential attorneys from diverse backgrounds.

KANSAS CITY (March 6, 2018) Shook, Hardy & Bacon Associate Maria Salcedo has been named a Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Fellow for 2018. Salcedo has previous leadership experience as President and formerly Vice President of the Hispanic Bar Association of Greater Kansas City.

"I am honored to be selected as a LCLD Fellow for the 2018 year," said Salcedo, who serves clients in health, life sciences and technology as a member of the Product Liability Litigation Group. "Shook recognizes the importance of diversity, and this program provides me the opportunity to spread the value of diversity to others while simultaneously growing in my professional life."

The LCLD's landmark Fellows Program is designed to connect high-potential, diverse attorneys with general counsel and managing partners from preeminent organizations for a year-long, multi-tiered professional development series. The Fellows Program offers a unique value to the leadership-oriented, mid-career attorneys because of the exclusive opportunities to network with and learn from the top leaders in the legal field, during the Program and into the future. The program sets Fellows on the path to success and leadership.

Launched in 2011, the LCLD Fellows Program has grown to include a vigorous Alumni Program, and each previous class of Fellows serve as mentors to those who follow.

During her Fellow year, Salcedo will embark on a learning program that includes inperson conferences, training in the fine points of legal practice, peer-group projects to foster collaboration and build relationships, and extensive contact with LCLD's top leadership, including the managing partners and general counsel who host the Fellows for Learning Experiences and Leadership Lunches. In addition to her trial work, Salcedo dedicates a significant amount of time to pro bono work, representing parents and children in Family Court. She is a member of Shook's Diversity and Inclusion Committee, specifically, the Education Awareness Subcommittee. Shook earned a Perfect Score for the 10th year in a row on the Corporate Equality Index which gauges an inclusive work environment. In addition, Shook has also received the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's Best Places to Work for LGBTQ Equality Award every year since 2009.

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About Shook, Hardy & Bacon

Founded in 1889, Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P. has 12 offices in the United States and London, with attorneys and professional staff serving clients in the health, science and technology sectors in areas ranging from product liability defense and commercial litigation to intellectual property prosecution and litigation, environmental and toxic tort, privacy and data security, and regulatory counseling.

About LCLD

Founded in 2009, the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) has grown to an organization of more than 275 Members, who serve as either general counsel of major corporations or managing partners of the nation's leading law firms. United by a spirit of activism and personal commitment, LCLD Members participate widely in the programs they've created—leading by example, taking action, and challenging the legal profession to prepare future generations of diverse talent for the highest positions of leadership.