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MEMORANDUM

To: James Reardon, Commissioner of Finance & Management

From: Rebecca Buck, Staff Associate *RB*

Date: March 8, 2006

Subject: Status of Grant

No Joint Fiscal Committee member has requested that the following item be held for review:

JFO #2248 – \$5,000 grant from the American Bar Association to the Office of Attorney General. These grant funds will be used to fund a summer law student intern in the Consumer Protection Program for 8 weeks beginning on or about June 1, 2006. After consultation with the Human Resources Classification Manager it was determined that since this position is considered to be a “temporary” position and as such does not provide benefits, Joint Fiscal Committee approval is not required to establish this temporary summer intern position.

[JFO received 02/06/06]

In accordance with 32 V.S.A. §5, the requisite 30 days having elapsed since this item was submitted to the Joint Fiscal Committee, the Governor’s approval may now be considered final. We ask that you inform the Secretary of Administration and your staff of this action.

cc: Linda Morse
William Sorrell

OVERVIEW – JANET D. STEIGER FELLOWSHIP PROJECT

This program sponsored by the Section of Antitrust Law (“Section”) was established in 2004 to expose first and second year law students both to public service and to consumer protection law and practice, by providing fellowships to students. Selected students will each serve eight week summer externships in the consumer protection departments of selected state attorneys general offices and territories. This program will assist, in a tangible and meaningful way, the states in their consumer protection mission, while at the same time furthering the Section’s efforts to serve as the “home” for consumer protection, as well as antitrust, law and policy discussions within the ABA.

Through this program, the Section seeks to honor the memory of one of America’s great public servants, the late Janet D. Steiger, who served with such distinction as Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission from 1989 to 1995. Chairman Steiger was instrumental in elevating the status of consumer protection in this country, while dramatically improving the level of communication, cooperation and coordination between the FTC and the National Association of Attorneys General (“NAAG”).

During the first year of this project eight states were selected to receive a Steiger Fellow during the summer of 2005. Those states were Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Mississippi, Oregon, South Dakota, Vermont and Wisconsin (the home of Janet Steiger). The experience was positive and meaningful for the Fellows and the attorney general’s offices.

At its Annual Meeting in August 2005, the Section Council expanded the project for the summer of 2006 from eight states to 14 states and one territory. They are Illinois, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington State and Wisconsin.

Janet Dempsey Steiger

June 10, 1939 -- April 3, 2004



Janet Dempsey was born in Oshkosh, Wisconsin on June 10, 1939 to Raymond and Kathleen Dempsey, the second of two daughters. Ray Dempsey was a lawyer and Kathleen was a homemaker and a community volunteer. Janet attended St. Peter Grade School and Oshkosh High School before entering Lawrence College (now University) in Appleton, Wisconsin. She was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in her junior year and received her BA in 1961 with a 4.0 point average. Janet won a Fulbright Scholarship for postgraduate work at the University of Reading in England. She also did graduate work at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Janet married William A. Steiger on August 10, 1966, while he was a Representative in the Wisconsin State Legislature. She participated in his successful 1966 campaign for Congress; he represented the 6th District of Wisconsin until his untimely death at the age of 40 in 1978. William Steiger was well-respected in the House for his work on the reorganization of Congressional Committees, OSHA, and the Volunteer Army. Janet and Bill were lifelong friends with many members of Bill's Congressional Class, including the Rumsfelds, Pettuses, Bushes, Vander Jagts, McClures, Joneses, Esches and Hatfields. Vice-President Richard Cheney was an intern in Bill's office. Janet loved Washington and she introduced their son Bill to all the city's great cultural institutions. The whole family worked in Bill's Congressional campaigns.

As young Bill entered grade school, Janet looked for opportunities to use her skills. She joined two friends, Jean Levin and Beverly Nadel in the Work Place which offered an office away from home to Washington visitors as well as services to organizations such as the ABA. Janet co-authored their monograph on "pro-bono" work, titled **To Light One Candle**. After the death of her husband, President Carter named her to the Postal Rate Commission as a Commissioner in 1980. President Reagan named her Chairman of the Postal Rate Commission in 1981, which position she held until August 1989. Her friends and staff marveled at her ability to conduct the hearings on postal rates and her mastery of the details of each rate case. During her time at the Postal Rate Commission, she also chaired the Congressionally mandated Commission to Assess Veterans' Education Policy from 1987-1989. The Commission's report was presented to the 100th Congress. The Federally Employed Women of Washington named her the Outstanding Woman in Government in 1984.

When George Herbert Walker Bush was elected President in 1988, he named Mrs. Steiger Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission. She was not a lawyer or an economist, and her senate confirmation was greeted with little enthusiasm. But Janet had learned a great deal about independent regulatory agencies during her tenure at Postal Rate, and she was determined to restore the credibility and effectiveness of the Commission. She served as Chairman from August 11, 1989 until April 1995, and continued as a Commissioner until September 1997. She reestablished ties with the Attorneys-general throughout the states, the Anti-trust Division of the ABA, and with the Anti-trust section of the Justice Department. She helped establish a strong voice for consumer protection, and she maintained a cordial relationship with the Congress. A Resolution of the Federal Trade Commission at the time of her death stated: "She was an extraordinary public servant, and provided inspired leadership to the Federal Trade Commission at a critical time in its history." Finally, as the USSR broke apart, she was instrumental in providing guidance and help to newly independent nations on matters of competition and consumer protection with the help of a grant from the Agency for International Development. When she retired, she served as a Board member for Wisconsin Blue Cross-Blue Shield, which became COBAL and is now Wellpoint.

Janet Steiger was also a warm and caring person who had a mischievous sense of humor. She was a gifted mimic and an accomplished jokester. She once filled a staff member's office with live frogs on his birthday. (She collected all the frogs afterward and sent them off to another staff member's pond.) She loved being across from the National Gallery of Art and never missed an exhibition. Foreign travel meant hard work, but always included museum forays as did vacations. She was also a gifted needlewoman whose canvases are treasured by many of her friends. She always had two or three needlepoint projects in progress and a huge jigsaw puzzle on her office conference table. Nor was a day complete without the New York Times Crossword puzzle which she always did in ink. She always said her "toys", helped her think through problems and make decisions.

Her office was a testimony to style and frugality. She was scrupulously ethical and used government issued furniture, paid for her own drapes, and used what she called her "objets" to decorate. She kept it filled with flowering plants or bouquets that she brought in. The predominant color was blue both at home and at work.

She served under four Presidents: Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, William Clinton, and George H. W. Bush. Her goal was always to serve the people of the United States and she used her formidable intelligence to master the complex cases that came before the independent regulatory agencies she chaired. She believed in mentoring her staff and she encouraged all of them in their careers. She also knew everyone in her building by name. At the FTC, she helped keep the Child Care facility as a vital part of the agency. She would have been very pleased to know that the Section of Antitrust Law of the American Bar Association has established the Janet Dempsey Steiger Fellowship Project in her memory.

Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project

I. Description of Project:

The Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project ("Project") is a full-time eight (8) week minimum, summer fellowship program open to all first and second year law students. The Project is part of an overall effort by the ABA Section of Antitrust Law ("Section") to provide unique training opportunities to law students who may wish to consider public service as a profession, while at the same time, assisting states that are in need of additional resources to fulfill their mission. Students will work in the consumer protection departments of the offices of state (or territorial) attorneys general. If feasible, students will be afforded the opportunity to participate in some antitrust matters as well. The following fourteen (14) states and one territory have been selected to receive a Steiger Fellow during the summer of 2006: ILLINOIS, IOWA, MISSISSIPPI, MONTANA, NEVADA, THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OREGON, PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTH DAKOTA, TEXAS, UTAH, VERMONT, VIRGINIA, WASHINGTON STATE and WISCONSIN. Each Steiger Fellow will receive a gross stipend of \$5000 for the entire summer, and will be responsible for all taxes and other required deductions. The Project does **NOT** provide either housing or travel expenses, with the exception of the Steiger Fellow selected to serve in the Attorney General's Office of the Northern Mariana Islands. Documented actual travel expenses will be provided to and from the Northern Mariana Islands, up to a maximum of \$5000.

II. Time Commitment:

The time commitment for each Steiger Fellow can vary by student, subject to an eight-week minimum. Students will be expected to coordinate their schedules with their individual supervisors and to work the hours required by each office.

III. Application Requirements/Procedures:

Students are asked to submit a completed application form, resume, law school GPA and transcript (if available at the time the application is submitted), a writing sample and importantly, a Statement of Interest. Applications and all accompanying information must be received by **Monday, February 6, 2006**. Applicants will only be considered for a position in the state(s)/territory indicated as their preference(s). Students may list as many as three (3) preferences. Applications will **ONLY** be accepted by mail at the office of the ABA Section of Antitrust Law, 321 North Clark, Chicago, IL 60611 – or by e-mail to douglasd@staff.abanet.org - or by fax to 312.988.5637. Students should **NOT** send their application(s) directly to the states.

Students will be notified by the second week of March 2006 whether they have been selected for an interview by one or more states. Interviews by the states will be conducted by them in their respective locations (usually by phone) and should be completed by the middle of April 2006. Members of the Section may participate in the interview process. The states will make the final hiring decisions. There is no funding for interviewing expenses. Please note that there are only fifteen (15) paid fellowship positions available.

Each Steiger Fellow will be paid directly by the state/territory that has selected him/her, with funds provided by the Section. Each Steiger Fellow will be required to complete whatever paperwork is needed by the state in order to process such payment.

IV. Follow Up Procedures:

At the conclusion of the Project, each Steiger Fellow and each attorney general's office will be required to complete a Project Survey.

Questions about the Project can be directed to the Section's office at 312.988.5606. Additional information about the Project can be found at www.abanet.org/antitrust.



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Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project

Don Klawiter, Chair of the Section, is pleased to announce the Council has authorized the expansion of the Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project. During the summer of 2006 the Section will place 15 law students in the Consumer Protection Departments and/or Antitrust Law Departments of the offices of state attorneys general throughout the United States and will provide a grant to each state in the amount of \$5000. The following 14 states and one territory have been selected to receive a Steiger Fellow during the summer of 2006: Illinois, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington State and Wisconsin.

This is the second year of the project, which placed eight Steiger Fellows during the summer of 2005. This important consumer protection outreach initiative of the Section honors the memory of the late Janet Steiger, former Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, who, during her tenure as Chairman, was so instrumental in improving the level of communication, cooperation and coordination between state and federal antitrust and consumer protection agencies.

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Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project

2005 Steiger Fellows



Jessica Velez

University of Connecticut School of Law
Office of the Connecticut Attorney General



Robert F. Poppiti, Jr.

Widener University School of Law
Office of the Delaware Attorney General



Kelley James

University of Georgia School of Law
Georgia Governor's Office of Consumer Affairs



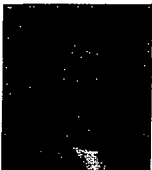
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Office of the Mississippi Attorney General



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MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members

From: Rebecca Buck, Staff Associate *RB*

Date: February 8, 2006

Subject: Grant Request

Enclosed please find one (1) request which the Joint Fiscal Office recently received from the Administration:

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[JFO received 02/06/06]

The Joint Fiscal Office has reviewed this submission and determined that all appropriate forms bearing the necessary approvals are in order.

In accordance with the procedures for processing such requests, we ask you to review the enclosed and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Rebecca Buck at 802/828-5969; rbuck@leg.state.vt.us or Stephen Klein at 802/828-5769; sklein@leg.state.vt.us) if you would like this item held for legislative review. Unless we hear from you to the contrary by February 22 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor’s acceptance of this request.

cc: Michael Smith, Secretary
James Reardon, Commissioner
Linda Morse, Administrative Assistant
William Sorrell, Attorney General

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2248

STATE OF VERMONT
GRANT ACCEPTANCE FORM

GRANT SUMMARY:

This is a request for a grant to fund a summer law student intern related to the Consumer Protection Program of the Attorney General's office. The grant is funded by the American Bar Association.

DATE: January 9, 2006

DEPARTMENT: Attorney General

GRANT / DONATION: This will cover an eight week summer law intern.

FEDERAL CATALOG No.: NA

GRANTOR / DONOR: American Bar Association
Section of Antitrust Law
321 N. Clark Street
Chicago, Illinois 60610-4714

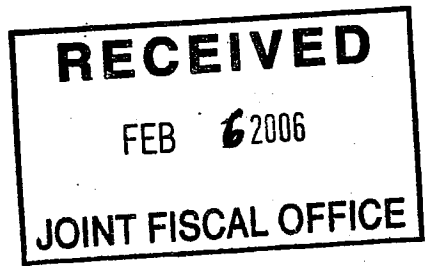
AMOUNT / VALUE: \$5,000.00

POSITIONS REQUESTED: One temporary summer position

GRANT PERIOD: 6/1/06- 8/1/06

COMMENTS: Human Resources did not feel that a position request form needed to be filled out because this is a temporary summer position.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT: *JH* (INITIAL) *JH*
SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION (INITIAL) *JH*
SENT TO JOINT FISCAL OFFICE: DATE: *9/30/06*



WILLIAM H. SORRELL
ATTORNEY GENERAL

JANET MURNANE
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

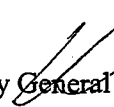
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STATE OF VERMONT
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
109 STATE STREET
MONTPELIER
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TO: Charlie Smith, Secretary of Administration

FROM: William E. Griffin, Chief Assistant Attorney General 

DATE: November 28, 2005

SUBJECT: Grant Acceptance AA-1, American Bar Association

Attached please find a Request for Grant Acceptance (AA-1) for your approval and further action.

This \$5,000 award from the American Bar Association will provide funding for a law student summer intern to assist our Consumer Protection Program for an 8 week period beginning on or about June 1, 2006. A request for a Temporary Position has been forwarded to the Department of Human Resources.

The grant award is attached as well as the requisite AA-1 form. Please contact our Business Manager William Pettersen or me should you have any questions or require any additional information.

**STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE
(use additional sheets as needed)**

1. Agency: **Attorney General**
 2. Department: **Public Protection**
 3. Program: **Consumer**

4. Legal Title of Grant: **American Bar Association**
 5. Federal Catalog No: **N/A**
 6. Grantor & Office Address:
**American Bar Association
 Section of Antitrust Law
 321 N. Clark Street
 Chicago, Illinois 60610-4714**

7. Grant Period: **From: June 1, 2006 To: August 1, 2006**

8. Purpose of Grant: **The grant will provide funding for a law student summer intern to assist our Consumer Protection Program for an 8 week period beginning on or about June 1, 2006.**

9. Impact on Existing Programs if Grant is not accepted: **Summer assistance to the Consumer Protection Program will be unavailable and summer employment for a law student at the Attorney General's Office will be unavailable.**

10. Budget Information:	(1 st State FY) 2006	(2 nd State FY) 2007	(3 rd State FY)
EXPENDITURES:			
Personal Services:	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
Operating Expenses:	\$ 00.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Grants:	\$ 00.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
REVENUES:			
<u>State Funds:</u>			
Cash:	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
In-kind:	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
<u>Federal Funds:</u>			
(Direct Costs):	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
(Statewide Indirect):	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
(Department Indirect):	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
<u>Other Funds:</u>			
(source) Grant:	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00

Appropriation Numbers Amounts
 Org Code: 02100 Dept ID: 2100001050 Fund: 21638 Proj/Grant: \$5,000.00

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11. Will grant monies be spent by one or more personal services contracts?

___ YES X NO

If YES, signature of appointing authority here indicates intent to follow current guidelines on bidding.

X _____

12a. Please list any requested Limited Service positions:

N/A

Titles	Number of Positions
Temporary Paralegal Tech 1 – 8 week Duration	One

12b. Equipment and space for these positions:

X is presently available.
___ Can be obtained with available funds.

13. Signature of Appointing Authority

I certify that no funds have been Expended or committed in Anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant.

[Signature] 11-28-05
(Signature) (Date)
Chief AAG
(Title)

14. Action by Governor:

Approved
 Rejected

[Signature] 1/25/06
(Signature) (Date)

15. Secretary of Administration:

Request to JFO
 Information to JFO

[Signature] 1/17/06
(Signature) (Date)

16. Action by Joint Fiscal Committee:

(Dates)

Request to be placed on JFC agenda
 Approved (not placed on agenda in 30 days)
 Approved by JFC
 Rejected by JFC
 Approved by Legislature

(Signature) (Date)

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November 18, 2005

Hon. William H. Sorrell
Attorney General
109 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05609-1001

Re: ABA Section of Antitrust Law – Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project

Dear Attorney General Sorrell:

On behalf of Donald C. Klawiter, Chair of the ABA Section of Antitrust Law ("Section"), I am writing to you in my capacity as Co-Chair of the Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project ("Project"), a program sponsored and funded by the Section. The Project is named for the late Janet D. Steiger, former Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") who, during her distinguished tenure, did so much to elevate the status of consumer protection enforcement in this country while dramatically improving the level of communication, cooperation and coordination between the FTC and the National Association of Attorneys General.

The Project is designed to provide law students with the opportunity to serve eight week summer internships at competitive salaries in the consumer protection departments of selected offices of state attorneys general throughout the United States. Law students who are interested in internships in the public service sector are often unable to find paying positions because so many offices of state attorneys general are simply unable to find money in their budgets to compensate law student assistance. Thus, for obvious financial reasons, many such students accept either non-legal summer positions, or positions with corporations or private firms to help defray expenses. The Steiger Fellowship Project has already had the effect, as we learned in its first year of operation, of placing first-rate law students in the offices of state attorneys general. Several of these students informed us that they would otherwise not have been able to accept such an opportunity, but for the stipend offered by the Section. At the same time, several states informed us that the Steiger Fellows were some of the very best law students to have ever interned in their offices.

After a rigorous application process, your office was selected to be one of the fifteen states to receive a Steiger Fellow this coming summer. During the first year of project, Jill M. Pfenning, a law student attending Vermont Law School, was selected as

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Vermont's Steiger Fellow, and from the feedback we have received, both your office and Ms. Pfenning were quite pleased with the experience.

In accordance with the terms of the Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project, the Section will forward to your office a \$5000 stipend to be paid to the 2006 Vermont Steiger Fellow.

We are very appreciative that your office has agreed to participate in this exciting project and we are hopeful that both your office and the 2006 Vermont Steiger Fellow, whoever he or she may be, will find the experience to be truly rewarding and mutually beneficial.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. M. Langer', with a stylized, cursive flourish.

Robert M. Langer

cc: Julie S. Brill
Assistant Attorney General

William Pettersen
Assistant Attorney General

John E. Villafranco
Co-Chair, Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Program

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**STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY POSITION**

Positions need to be requested two weeks in advance

Please include all necessary information and fax or email to Laurie Grimm, DHR Classification
Fax # 828-3572 or lgrimm@per.state.vt.us.

CATEGORY: (check one)

- SEASONAL** - starting and ending dates of season
- BONA-FIDE EMERGENCY** - describe emergency situation
- FILL-IN** - name of employee filling in for, reason for absence or absence or vacant position number and length temp is needed
- INTERMITTENT** - describe workload fluctuations or peak periods
- SPORADIC** - describe special project (no pattern)
- PART-TIME** - must be an average of less than 20 hours per week, not to exceed 1,040 in a calendar year
- EXTENSION** - position number for which extension is requested; date of original approval

JUSTIFICATION: Please give detailed information to justify your request including information as outlined above. (This area will expand as you type.)

Pursuant to the American Bar Association \$5,000 Award dated November 18, 2005 (attached) a temporary 8 week summer law student intern position is requested to assist our Consumer Protection Program. The temporary position will begin on or about June 1, 2006 and end on or about August 1, 2006.

INFORMATION NOTICE

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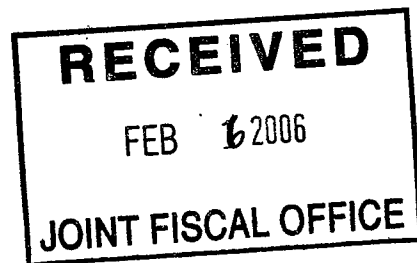
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GRANT PERIOD: 6/1/06- 8/1/06

COMMENTS: Human Resources did not feel that a position request form needed to be filled out because this is a temporary summer position.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT: *1/11* (INITIAL) *1/14/06*
SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION (INITIAL) *1/17/06*
SENT TO JOINT FISCAL OFFICE: DATE: *1/30/06*



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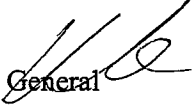
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STATE OF VERMONT
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
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TO: Charlie Smith, Secretary of Administration
FROM: William E. Griffin, Chief Assistant Attorney General 
DATE: November 28, 2005
SUBJECT: Grant Acceptance AA-1, American Bar Association

Attached please find a Request for Grant Acceptance (AA-1) for your approval and further action.

This \$5,000 award from the American Bar Association will provide funding for a law student summer intern to assist our Consumer Protection Program for an 8 week period beginning on or about June 1, 2006. A request for a Temporary Position has been forwarded to the Department of Human Resources.

The grant award is attached as well as the requisite AA-1 form. Please contact our Business Manager William Pettersen or me should you have any questions or require any additional information.

STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE
(use additional sheets as needed)

1. Agency: **Attorney General**
2. Department: **Public Protection**
3. Program: **Consumer**

4. Legal Title of Grant: **American Bar Association**
5. Federal Catalog No: **N/A**
6. Grantor & Office Address:
American Bar Association
Section of Antitrust Law
321 N. Clark Street
Chicago, Illinois 60610-4714

7. Grant Period: From: **June 1, 2006** To: **August 1, 2006**

8. Purpose of Grant: **The grant will provide funding for a law student summer intern to assist our Consumer Protection Program for an 8 week period beginning on or about June 1, 2006.**

9. Impact on Existing Programs if Grant is not accepted: **Summer assistance to the Consumer Protection Program will be unavailable and summer employment for a law student at the Attorney General's Office will be unavailable.**

10. Budget Information:	(1 st State FY) 2006	(2 nd State FY) 2007	(3 rd State FY)
EXPENDITURES:			
Personal Services:	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
Operating Expenses:	\$ 00.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Grants:	\$ 00.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
REVENUES:			
<u>State Funds:</u>			
Cash:	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
In-kind:	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
<u>Federal Funds:</u>			
(Direct Costs):	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
(Statewide Indirect):	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
(Department Indirect):	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
<u>Other Funds:</u>			
(source) Grant:	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00

<u>Appropriation Numbers</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
Org Code: 02100 Dept ID: 2100001050 Fund: 21638 Proj/Grant:	\$5,000.00

11. Will grant monies be spent by one or more personal services contracts?

YES NO

If YES, signature of appointing authority here indicates intent to follow current guidelines on bidding.

X _____

12a. Please list any requested Limited Service positions:

N/A

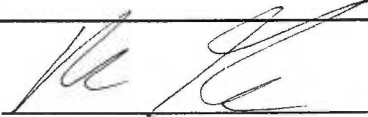
Titles	Number of Positions
Temporary Paralegal Tech 1 – 8 week Duration	One

12b. Equipment and space for these positions:

is presently available.
 Can be obtained with available funds.

13. Signature of Appointing Authority

I certify that no funds have been
Expended or committed in
Anticipation of Joint Fiscal
Committee approval of this grant.

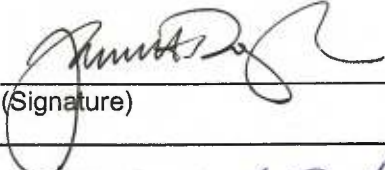
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 (Signature) (Date)
 Chief AAG

 (Title)

14. Action by Governor:


Approved
 Rejected

 1/25/06

 (Signature) (Date)

15. Secretary of Administration:

Request to JFO
 Information to JFO

 1/17/06

 (Signature) (Date)

16. Action by Joint Fiscal Committee:

(Dates)

Request to be placed on JFC agenda
 Approved (not placed on agenda in 30 days)
 Approved by JFC
 Rejected by JFC
 Approved by Legislature

(Signature)

(Date)

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November 18, 2005

Hon. William H. Sorrell
Attorney General
109 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05609-1001

Re: ABA Section of Antitrust Law – Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project

Dear Attorney General Sorrell:

On behalf of Donald C. Klawiter, Chair of the ABA Section of Antitrust Law (“Section”), I am writing to you in my capacity as Co-Chair of the Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project (“Project”), a program sponsored and funded by the Section. The Project is named for the late Janet D. Steiger, former Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission (“FTC”) who, during her distinguished tenure, did so much to elevate the status of consumer protection enforcement in this country while dramatically improving the level of communication, cooperation and coordination between the FTC and the National Association of Attorneys General.

The Project is designed to provide law students with the opportunity to serve eight week summer internships at competitive salaries in the consumer protection departments of selected offices of state attorneys general throughout the United States. Law students who are interested in internships in the public service sector are often unable to find paying positions because so many offices of state attorneys general are simply unable to find money in their budgets to compensate law student assistance. Thus, for obvious financial reasons, many such students accept either non-legal summer positions, or positions with corporations or private firms to help defray expenses. The Steiger Fellowship Project has already had the effect, as we learned in its first year of operation, of placing first-rate law students in the offices of state attorneys general. Several of these students informed us that they would otherwise not have been able to accept such an opportunity, but for the stipend offered by the Section. At the same time, several states informed us that the Steiger Fellows were some of the very best law students to have ever interned in their offices.

After a rigorous application process, your office was selected to be one of the fifteen states to receive a Steiger Fellow this coming summer. During the first year of project, Jill M. Pfenning, a law student attending Vermont Law School, was selected as


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Vermont's Steiger Fellow, and from the feedback we have received, both your office and Ms. Pfenning were quite pleased with the experience.

In accordance with the terms of the Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project, the Section will forward to your office a \$5000 stipend to be paid to the 2006 Vermont Steiger Fellow.

We are very appreciative that your office has agreed to participate in this exciting project and we are hopeful that both your office and the 2006 Vermont Steiger Fellow, whoever he or she may be, will find the experience to be truly rewarding and mutually beneficial.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. M. Langer', with a stylized, cursive flourish.

Robert M. Langer

cc: Julie S. Brill
Assistant Attorney General

William Pettersen
Assistant Attorney General

John E. Villafranco
Co-Chair, Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Program

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**STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY POSITION**

Positions need to be requested two weeks in advance

**Please include all necessary information and fax or email to Laurie Grimm, DHR Classification
Fax # 828-3572 or lgrimm@per.state.vt.us.**

CATEGORY: (check one)

- SEASONAL** - starting and ending dates of season
- BONA-FIDE EMERGENCY** - describe emergency situation
- FILL-IN** - name of employee filling in for, reason for absence or absence or vacant position number and length temp is needed
- INTERMITTENT** - describe workload fluctuations or peak periods
- SPORADIC** - describe special project (no pattern)
- PART-TIME** - must be an average of less than 20 hours per week, not to exceed 1,040 in a calendar year
- EXTENSION** - position number for which extension is requested; date of original approval

JUSTIFICATION: Please give detailed information to justify your request including information as outlined above. (This area will expand as you type.)

Pursuant to the American Bar Association \$5,000 Award dated November 18, 2005 (attached) a temporary 8 week summer law student intern position is requested to assist our Consumer Protection Program. The temporary position will begin on or about June 1, 2006 and end on or about August 1, 2006.

POSITION INFORMATION:

FAX REQUEST TO: 828-3572

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1 **TITLE REQUESTED:** Paralegal Tech 1

JOB CODE: 081800 **PAY GRADE:** TBD \$15.83

GOVERNMENT UNIT CODE: 02100 **WORK STATION (ZipCode):** 05602

STARTING DATE: 6/1/05 **ENDING DATE:** 8/1/05

SUBMITTED BY:

Agency/Department: Attorney General **Personnel Officer:** JoAnn McKee

DATE: 11/28/05 **PHONE NUMBER:** 828-3173 **FAX NUMBER:** 828-2154

THIS BOX FOR DEPT OF HUMAN RESOURCES USE ONLY:

 APPROVED

 DENIED

POSITION NUMBER ASSIGNED: _____

DHR SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____ **DATE FAXED TO DEPT:** _____

COMMENTS: _____
