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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

Director, Stewart McKelvey Technology Law Clinic

The Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University, is pleased to be launching the Stewart McKelvey Technology Law Clinic. Students in this clinic will work with entrepreneurs, other students, and start-ups in the university and the wider community to offer early stage legal information and advice.

We invite applications for a Director, to commence on or before September 1, 2019, for a three-year term with the possibility of renewal. The main focus of the Clinic will be to assist start-up businesses and entrepreneurs who are not otherwise able to afford legal services. There will be opportunities to teach, depending on the Law School's needs, and to do research. The Director will also be appointed as an Instructor.

As the inaugural Director, the Director will shape the growth, identity and future of the Technology Law Clinic. The responsibilities of the position will include:

- Designing the Clinic curriculum and teaching the Clinic Seminar. Content may include, among other things: pre-venture advising; business structure selection and formation; tax planning; entry into joint ventures or strategic alliances; intellectual property issues; licensing and regulatory compliance; employee management; non-profit ventures; start-up financing, and innovations in the delivery of legal services;
- Arranging the clinical fieldwork component of the Clinic and supervising law student representation of clients, including drafting, review, or negotiation of organizational documents, contracts and agreements, debt instruments, non-disclosure agreements, and software and IT agreements;
- Building and maintaining relationships between the Clinic and university innovation initiatives and programs, the local Halifax innovation and start-up communities, and law firms and lawyers who work with and support the Clinic; and
- Participating in the intellectual life of the Schulich School of Law and Dalhousie University, including interaction with colleagues and with Centers, Institute and Research Clusters whose work may touch upon the work of the Clinic.

A strong candidate will have excellent business development, relationship-building, communication and presentation skills; the ability to work effectively with students, clients, lawyers and professors; creative problem-solving skills and business judgment that enable the candidate to assess the practical requirements necessary to take a start-up to the next stages of

development; a strong interest in developing clinical experiences for students within a community that supports interdisciplinary collaboration and innovative teaching, previous experience in the start-up/new business venture community; a passion for the synergies between law, technology and innovation; and the ability to work with minimal supervision. Experience or familiarity with technology transfer strategy and management, client management software and technology transfer software is preferred but not required.

Candidates must possess a J.D. or LL.B. and be admitted, or able to satisfy the requirements for admission, to the practice of law in Nova Scotia. They will have at least 3 years of practice experience in one or more of Commercial Law, Intellectual Property Law (particularly Patent Law), or Information Technology Law. An LL.M. in these or related areas is preferred.

Applications received before **May 15, 2019** will be given fullest consideration.

About Halifax and the Schulich School of Law

A vibrant, diverse, oceanfront city, Halifax is the perfect size and personality for enhancing the lives of more than 30,000 students attending the six universities here. This concentration of students injects Halifax with an optimistic energy and the city gives back by welcoming, encouraging, and inspiring newcomers to experience our unique way of life and make it their own.

The Schulich School of Law plays an extraordinary role in the fabric of Canadian legal education. We are a national law school, with our students coming from and returning to every region. We graduate leaders. Our alumni hold every form of government office, teach in Canadian law schools, innovate in the provision of private and public sector legal services and in business, advance policy in the executive branch of government, render decisions on courts across the country, and offer service to non-governmental bodies and non-profit and community organizations. We have always been known for and proud of our commitment to unselfish public service, in the Weldon tradition.

We embrace the interdisciplinary opportunity of working in a university, we value the creation and dissemination of new knowledge, and we are firmly committed to students and to teaching and learning excellence. We are conscious of the difference we make to law reform, adjudication, legal service, and community engagement at home and around the world. We value the contributions of the founding communities in this province, the Mi'kmaq Nation, Acadians, African Nova Scotians, and British, and we open our doors to the world.

For more information, see the Schulich School of Law Strategic Plan at <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/law.html>.

How to Apply

Applications should include a resume and a maximum 3-page vision statement for the Technology Law Clinic, the names of three referees, at least one of whom must be an academic referee, and a completed Self-Identification Questionnaire, which is available at www.dal.ca/becounted/selfid. If a candidate's graduate degree is in progress, then in their cover letter they should indicate their stage of completion. Forward applications to:

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Dalhousie University is committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. The University encourages applications from Aboriginal people, persons with a disability, racially visible persons, women, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and all candidates who would contribute to the diversity of our community. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

<http://law.dal.ca>