

South African Visiting Lawyer Program  
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The New York City Bar

The New York City Bar is seeking applicants for the South African Visiting Lawyer Program. The Program brings lawyers from historically disadvantaged backgrounds to participate as Vance Center Fellows in a working fellowship program at corporate law firms and the legal departments of investment and commercial banks in New York City. The fellowship will last for one year. A living stipend, round-trip transportation to and from New York, health benefits and two weeks of temporary housing at the start of the fellowship will be provided. The 2008/2009 program year will begin in September or October 2008.

Applicants should have a minimum of two years practice experience post-articles. Some corporate practice experience is desirable. Only attorneys will be considered for participation in the Program.

Applicants are requested to provide the following information:

- Curriculum vitae;
- Law school transcript;
- A written statement by a lawyer familiar with the applicant's work indicating his/her capacity to work well at the junior level in a commercial transaction; and
- A cover letter indicating how participation in the Program will assist the applicant's professional development, and how the applicant will share the skills upon return to South Africa.

Vance Center fellows will receive transportation to and from New York and two weeks of initial housing provided by the firms and/or banks at which they are placed. Fellows will also receive an annual fellowship stipend of \$115,000 along with health benefits, also provided by their placement institution. After the initial two-week period Fellows will be expected to provide for their housing and living expenses.

Prior to their departure to New York, participants will be required to attend a three-day seminar in U.S. corporate practice. During the year, fellows will also be required to attend the program's fall reception, occasional meetings with Vance Center staff and a closing dinner with prominent members of the New York City Bar.

Attorneys interested in applying for the Visiting Lawyer Program should send the required materials to:

Nosipo Matanzima  
Law Society of South Africa  
P.O. Box 36626  
Menlo Park 0102

A copy of the application should also be sent via email to Ira Zaka, Program Assistant at the Vance Center: [izaka@nycbar.org](mailto:izaka@nycbar.org).

Applicants should submit the required materials no later than April 15, 2008.

Candidates who have been selected for interviews will be notified in April. Interviews will take place in Johannesburg on May 17 and 18, 2008.