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MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN, LLP
ATTORNEY OFFERS LGBT PATENT LAW SCHOLARSHIP

CHICAGO – June 1, 2010 – Jeremy D. Protas, an attorney with the intellectual property law firm of Marshall, Gerstein & Borun LLP, offers a Patent Law Scholarship geared specifically toward lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender law students intending to pursue a legal career in the field of patent law. “I am committed to advancing diversity in the legal profession generally and, in particular, among patent professionals. LGBT lawyers are especially difficult to find among the patent bar. My hope is that this scholarship draws LGBT law students to consider pursuing a career as a patent lawyer,” Protas said.

Candidates must be second-year students for the 2010-2011 academic year at an American Bar Association-accredited law school, and be eligible to sit for the Patent Bar Exam. Applications for the \$1,000 scholarship are due by July 31, 2010. Applications and information can be found at <http://jeremy.protas.org/scholarship/>.

Protas prosecutes and secures patents in diverse technologies including process control, wireless communication, software development, and retail systems. He joined Marshall, Gerstein & Borun as a summer associate in 2003 and 2004, and in 2005 joined the firm as a full-time associate. He received his J.D. from DePaul University College of Law in 2005, and is admitted to practice in the State of Illinois and before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Protas received his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Case Western Reserve University in 2000.

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