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HARTER SECREST & EMERY ANNOUNCES DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Rochester, New York, July 15, 2020 – Harter Secret & Emery LLP, a full-service business law firm with offices throughout New York, announced that it has awarded a scholarship to a first-year law school student (1L) as part of the firm's annual Diversity Scholarship Program.

Karthik Sekharan, a student at the University at Buffalo School of Law, has been awarded a \$7,500 scholarship and a paid summer associate position at the firm's Rochester office this summer. Sekharan earned his B.S. in Industrial and Labor Relations from Cornell University where he participated on the management team of the Cornell Annual Fund and served as editor-in-chief of the Sports, Inc. Magazine. Before starting law school, Sekharan worked as a paralegal at Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy LLP in Boston, MA.

“We take a great deal of pride in attracting top-level legal talent with diverse backgrounds and experiences to Upstate New York and providing opportunities for students to both further their pursuit of a legal career and to gain hands-on experience with our firm,” said Kimberly I. Shimomura, Harter Secret & Emery’s Inclusion and Equity Committee Chair. “Karthik stood out among a very talented pool of candidates, and we look forward to having him as part of the Harter Secret & Emery team this summer.”

Since 2005, Harter Secret & Emery has awarded a scholarship annually to a first-year law student who fulfills the award's academic and professional criteria. Law students are selected on the basis of their academic record, work experience, and additional personal and professional attributes that evidence great promise for a successful career in the legal profession. Over the past decade, a number of scholarship winners have joined Harter Secret & Emery after completing law school.

About Harter Secrest & Emery LLP

Harter Secrest & Emery LLP is a full-service business law firm providing legal services to clients ranging from individuals and family-owned businesses to Fortune 100 companies and major regional institutions. With offices in Buffalo, Rochester, Albany, Corning, and New York City, New York, the firm is a recognized leader in litigation, corporate, employee benefits, environmental and land use, health care, higher education, immigration, intellectual property, labor and employment, real estate, and trusts and estates law. Harter Secrest & Emery has 35 *U.S. News - Best Lawyers* 2020 “Best Law Firms” top tier metropolitan practice group rankings—more Western New York rankings than any other law firm. The firm has been honored by *Chambers USA* for Corporate/M&A, Environment, Labor & Employment, Litigation, Immigration, and Real Estate law and 46 attorneys are recognized as *The Best Lawyers in America*® for 2020. For more information visit www.hsclaw.com.

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