AFGW Fellowship 2010: Report from Tanya Josev

Trip Purpose:Archival research, interview research and participation in NYU Law School's year-long Global
Fellows' Program

Dates of Travel: 15 August 2010 – 8 June 2011

Research Outcomes

I am very grateful to the AFGW of their support of my research in 2010-2011, making possible my year-long fellowship at New York University Law School. As detailed in my application in 2010, it was my intention to conduct archival research at the New York Public Library, interview research with Justice Peter Rubin and Yale Law Professor Linda Greenhouse, and to participate in the 2010-11 academic year at New York University as a Hauser Global Fellow. The outcomes of these activities are as follows:

- Archival Research (Schlesinger Archive, New York Public Library): I was granted access to the New York Public Library Manuscripts and Archives Division in 2010; and the Schlesinger Archive was made available to me in early 2011. I spent several weeks in the Manuscripts Reading Room in February 2011 locating and reviewing the relevant material (Schlesinger's correspondence in relation to his 1947 article on the Supreme Court), with the help of NYPL's archivist, Mr Lee Spilberg.
- Interview Research: As detailed in my scholarship application, I conducted interviews with Justice Peter Rubin (founder of the American Constitution Society) in Boston in May 2011, and with Professor Linda Greenhouse (Yale Law Professor, and former New York Times Supreme Court reporter) in New York in March 2011. These were fruitful interviews, and Justice Rubin's and Professor Greenhouse's most helpful insights and suggestions will be incorporated into the thesis. I also made attempts to secure an interview with a representative from the Federalist Society at NYU, to no avail.
- Participation in NYU's Global Fellows Program: The year-long program involved full involvement in NYU's JSD program (including forum presentations, methodology workshops and research workshops); participation in the Global Fellows Forum (weekly paper presentations) and attendance at the Faculty Workshops (presentations of works-in-progress from NYU faculty members). My own work was presented in December 2010 in a two-hour JSD forum session, in which two NYU professors provided helpful commentary and feedback.

Use of AFGW Funds: As contemplated in my scholarship application, the funds were put directly towards the accommodation expenses of the year-long stay in New York. NYU placed me in subsidised student accommodation (the Law School's Mercer Residence for students), which cost US\$16 000 for the year's accommodation in total.

Once again, I would like to express my gratitude to the AFGW for the fellowship, and making my extended stay in New York possible. It was an absolutely invaluable experience, and I look forward to being able to incorporate my 'NYU material' into the thesis in due course.