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Ms. Tummala has had several internships in various courts including One Garden Court Chambers, Charter Chambers, and Justice Priya Levers, Grand Court of the Cayman Islands. While at these internships, Ms. Tummala gained experience in areas such as human rights, criminal law, and child and family law. Her first major legal work experience came while shadowing Mr. David Pannick QC, through a human rights case against the British Government in the House of Lords, regarding the unlawful detention of terror suspects. Additionally, Ms. Tummala also did some short-term work at the Caribbean-American Law Clinic, through the Cayman Islands Law School. The purpose of the law clinic is to foster and teach cooperation between students of various Caribbean countries and the United States in order to solve a legal issue set each year by the Solicitor-General's Office in the Cayman Islands. While at the law clinic, Ms. Tummala was able to gain first-hand knowledge of the issues surrounding the inheritance rights of illegitimate children under intestacy.

Ms. Tummala received her B.A. in Economics, with a minor in international relations from Eckerd College in Florida in 2003. She then went on to St. Andrews, Scotland, where she received her Master of Letters in Management (Strategic Management and Human Resources), Economics (Comparative Economics/Development), and International Relations (Justice and Governance) in 2004. Ms. Tummala then received a graduate diploma in law from BPP Law School in London in 2005, with a distinction on her dissertation. Finally, in 2006, she took a Professional Practice Course (PPC) at the Cayman Islands Law School, where she received a commendation on her thesis, which was titled, The Hague Convention on International Child Abduction: The Application of Article 12 and the Settlement Issue. She ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> on PPC and received an overall commendation. She is currently pursuing an LL.M degree in International and Comparative Law at Chicago-Kent College of Law.

When she is not working, Ms. Tummala enjoys the arts, cinema and reading. She has also volunteered her time at Liberty, where she did pro bono work in the field of human

rights. She took a gap year between her two years in law school, which she spent in India doing charity work and where she was self-employed as a painter, developing necessary micro-management skills. She speaks Hindi and Telugu, and is conversant in French.

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