I. Eligibility

To receive personal legal support funded by the University under this program,¹ you must be serving as a principal investigator (PI) or co-principal investigator (co-PI) on a federal research grant or contract. Funding is available only for legal guidance related to your existing or proposed foreign outside professional activities (e.g., work or service as a board member, visiting professor, researcher, or subject matter expert for a non-U.S. entity, including a foreign university, company, government, or non-profit organization). Absent exceptional circumstances and prior approval by the Office of the General Counsel (OGC), the funding is limited to two (2) hours of attorney consultation time per calendar year. You may wish to consider engaging one of the attorneys listed in Section II below, as they may have expertise relevant to your situation. It is ultimately up to you to choose your lawyer; however, if you select an attorney not listed in Section II, you must seek OGC approval before that attorney will be permitted to bill the University in connection with this program. Even if paid by the University, the attorneys retained through this program (whether on the list below or not) will be serving as your individual counsel, not representing the University.

II. Attorneys potentially available for representation in connection with foreign contracts, affiliations, or engagements²

Roberto M. Braceras (rbraceras@goodwinlaw.com or (617) 570-1895) is a former federal prosecutor who joined private practice at Goodwin Procter in 1999. While at Goodwin, Roberto has represented numerous universities, academics, and administrators in false claims act investigations, research misconduct proceedings, Title IX cases, tenure revocation matters, internal investigations, and related litigation. Roberto has worked with clients in assessing responsibilities and self-reporting obligations under grants and cooperative agreements, and he has advised clients on investigations involving alleged foreign influence in federally funded projects.

Holly Drumheller Butler (hbutler@milesstockbridge.com or (410) 385-3829) of Miles & Stockbridge has approximately 25-years of experience handling federal investigations and complex litigation. She has represented individuals and institutions of higher education in investigations by the Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Inspector General, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), regulators, and other enforcement officials. Among other things, Holly has counseled and defended university professors who have been questioned regarding their...

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² The brief biographies in this section are provided by the attorneys listed, not Princeton University. No one should presume that the University vouches for the appropriateness of any of these attorneys for any specific representation or counseling, encourages engagement of any of these attorneys to the exclusion of attorneys not on this list, endorses the engagement of one listed attorney over another, or believes that these attorneys are more appropriate than others to provide legal representation to our researchers. This information is offered only as an informational guide to our researchers.
contacts with foreign entities, as well as regarding contents of their submissions for government grants. Holly is co-lead of the White Collar, Fraud and Government Investigations practice at Miles & Stockbridge.

Jennifer L. Chunias (jchunias@goodwinlaw.com or (617) 570-8239) is a partner in the litigation department at Goodwin Procter, and has been practicing law since 1999. Among other things, she has represented prominent universities, faculty, and biotech and life sciences companies in connection with various civil and criminal litigation, investigative, and compliance matters. Jennifer also advises these clients on a variety of issues relating to academic appointments and scientific research, including institutional investigations into allegations of research misconduct; non-U.S. appointments and research collaborations; government grants and disclosures; and undue foreign influence and export considerations. She also has handled related litigation, and False Claims Act and other regulatory investigations arising out of these matters. Prior to becoming a lawyer, Jennifer worked in public health research, on a variety of federally funded grants and contracts.

Samidh Guha (sguha@perryguha.com or (212) 399-8350) founded Perry Guha LLP with Danya Perry, and before that, he spent ten years as a partner at two international law firms. During this time, he led high-profile, complex representations on behalf of both institutional and individual clients. Over the past several years, Samidh has represented several individuals and institutions that have come under government scrutiny for perceived national security concerns arising out of allegations of improper foreign influence. These representations have included a medical researcher at a New York university charged with violating numerous federal laws, as well as a major Chinese state-owned entity in an investigation by the U.S. government. Samidh works closely with his clients in an efficient and thoughtful manner and draws on his prior experience to engage the government in ways that are productive in maximizing his client’s interests.

Ignacia S. Moreno, Carlos A. Moreno, and Robert A. Begotka of the iMoreno Group, PLC (ignacia@imorenogroup.com or (703) 442-4730), have a great deal of experience working with university faculty, administrators, and staff. The firm was selected to serve as Special Counsel to the Commonwealth of Virginia on immigration matters and currently represents several Virginia public universities and a Virginia institution of higher education. They also represent university professors, as well as their family members. Robert has extensive experience in negotiating and drafting a wide range of business contracts, including consulting agreements. Ignacia and Carlos have collectively served for decades in federal government positions and bring an insider’s perspective to advising clients on successfully navigating federal and state regulatory, investigative, and enforcement processes.

Andy Liu (aliu@nicholsliu.com or (202) 846-9802) of Nichols Liu LLP has significant experience with government grants and cooperative agreements, both in the higher education context and NGO context. He also has experience in the education area, having spent three years with the Educational Opportunities Section of DOJ’s Civil Rights Division, and has represented several Universities, including in False Claims Act matters (e.g., a matter involving the appropriateness of certain expenses under a grant and a matter involving a University hospital). He also represented a large state University system with several criminal investigations of its
professors, primarily relating to misuse of grant funds and improper disclosure of sensitive
information. Andy also represents five professors and one post-doctoral fellow in matters
directly or indirectly related to DOJ’s so-called China Initiative. These matters involve, among
other things, investigations by NIH, DOD and/or the FBI; alleged inadequacies in required
disclosure forms, including publications, collaborations, funding, and financial interests in third
parties; issues relating to the licensing of technology to Chinese companies; and de facto
suspending from working on NIH and DOD grants.

Elizabeth J. McEvoy (emcevoy@hinckleyallen.com or (617) 378-4107) of Hinckley, Allen &
Snyder LLP has extensive experience handling a wide range of legal matters involving
allegations of research-related fraud and alleged non-compliance with federal funding
requirements. She brings a unique perspective and is able to look at research-related issues from
several different angles, having worked closely with institutions who receive complaints about
potential fraud within its ranks and having represented numerous faculty members and scientists
across the country, including experienced and nationally-recognized Principal Investigators,
accused by their institutions – and sometimes the federal government – of research misconduct,
failure to disclose financial conflicts of interest, and improper foreign affiliations. Elizabeth’s
training as a litigator and trial attorney, specializing in matters involving high-stakes white-collar
criminal investigations, healthcare fraud, and complex business disputes, has made her adept at
handling sensitive matters and providing practical legal guidance that takes into account
heightened, and in some cases, evolving political climates. She has also represented university
faculty members called upon to be witnesses and named as defendants in complex lawsuits
brought against the university alleging that institutional practices did not meet ethical,
community, and legal standards.

Torrey K. Young (Torrey.Young@mfsllp.com or (212) 466-6409) is a partner at Mukasey
Frenchman LLP and represents clients in the academic, health care, and life science industries.
She has a depth of experience in research and foreign influence issues and is presently defending
a high-profile professor being prosecuted as part of the Department of Justice’s China Initiative.
Torrey has advised professors and academic institutions on research compliance topics across the
country, including Harvard teaching hospitals, public universities, and tenured faculty members.
Her versatile background includes representation of assorted China related matters, such as
providing regulatory due diligence on behalf of Chinese investors in United States cancer
treatment centers and counseling a Chinese development and asset management firm. Torrey has
appeared in publications such as Science, Compliance Today, JD Supra, Federal News Radio,
and Bloomberg Law.

Thomas Zeno (tzeno@milesstockbridge.com or (202) 465-8402) of Miles & Stockbridge has
extensive experience handling federal investigations. For more than 25 years, Tom served as an
Assistant United States Attorney investigating and prosecuting federal offenses such as making
false statements to government agencies. Tom also served as a supervisor helping to establish
policy for federal investigations. During the past decade, Tom has used the insights he gained as
a prosecutor to defend those being investigated by the government. In particular, Tom has
counseled and defended university professors who have been questioned regarding their contacts
with foreign entities as well as regarding contents of their submissions for government grants. Tom is co-lead of the White Collar, Fraud, and Investigations practice at Miles & Stockbridge.