

## Scholarships

Scholarships are great sources to help in funding your legal education. This handout contains a summary of scholarships that have been advertised through our Office in recent years. We receive notices about scholarships on a regular basis and post the information in the Career Services Newsletter. However, it might be helpful to be able to refer to this resource to see if there are any annual scholarships for which you may qualify. Please be aware that the scholarships listed in this handout are only a sampling of scholarships that are available. We encourage you to also do some research on your own. Start by contacting local bar associations or professional associations that you may be a member of to see if they have scholarship funds available. Do internet searches. The descriptions in this handout will provide as much of the following information that is available: eligibility requirements, prize amounts, general deadlines, and submission addresses.

Guidelines vary from one scholarship to another. Some scholarships may require you to submit additional materials with the application form such as: an essay or personal statement, transcript, a list of references, letters of recommendation, and/or financial information. A student's ethnicity, gender, permanent residence, or interest in a particular area of the law may be a factor in applying for specific scholarships. Please be aware of the specific guidelines for the contests in which you choose to participate. If there are scholarships that you are interested in, be sure to check the weekly Career Services Newsletter for updated information and details on how to obtain application forms.

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### **Title** Air & Waste Management Association: Scholarship Endowment Trust Fund

Individuals must be full-time graduate students pursuing courses of study and research leading to careers in air quality, waste management, environmental management/policy/law, and/or sustainability during the 2008/2009 academic year. Membership is not a requirement for the student or their advisor; however, it is strongly encouraged. The Scholarship is a one-year award. Individuals must reapply to qualify for a second year

Full-time graduate students who are pursuing courses of study and research leading to careers in air quality, waste management, environmental management/policy/law, and sustainability are eligible to apply for the 2008/2009 A&WMA Scholarship Endowment Trust Fund. The online scholarship application is now available at <http://secure.awma.org/scholarships/>. The 2008/2009 application will contain similar section requirements. September 28, 2007 is the anticipated launch day. Scholarship applications must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time January 11, 2008. Awards will be announced in March 2008.

For more information and link to the online scholarship application please visit:  
[http://www.awma.org/awards/scholarship\\_programs/index.html](http://www.awma.org/awards/scholarship_programs/index.html)

**Deadline:** January 11, 2008.

**Title** Alia Herrera 2005 Memorial Scholarship

The 2008 Alia Herrera Memorial Scholarship, in the amount of \$3,000, is open to law students who are entering their second or third year of law school, or having the equivalent of one year to complete.

Eligible applicants are: (1) Law students who are attending law schools in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area; or (2) Law students who are student members of the law student section of AAJ; or (3) Law students who are children of AAJ members

The winning applicant MUST be able to commit to attend AAJ's 2008 Annual Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 12-16.

Scholarship Applications Should Include Cover letter; Resume; Transcript; Letter of recommendation from a law professor or the Dean of the law school.; A 500 word essay on the following topic: TBA

Application materials should be mailed to: Christine K. Powers; 26 Indian Pipe Drive; Wynantskill, New York 12198.

Please visit <http://www.atla.org/members/lawstud/auxilsch.aspx> for more information.

**Deadline:** May 31, 2008

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**Title** American Bar Association Forum on Communications Law

Each year, the American Bar Association Forum on Communications Law awards two or three full-ride scholarships to law students to the Annual Conference on Communications Law. One scholarship is for an international student and one scholarship is for a minority student. Hotel lodging, airfare/transportation, and registration fees (including meals) for both the Media Advocacy Workshop and the Forum conference are all included in the scholarship. Forum Annual Conference will be held on February 14-16, 2008 at the Boca Raton Resort & Club, Boca Raton, Florida.

To apply for a scholarship in 2008, please send a letter or email explaining your interest in free speech and communications law, and any past experience you have working or volunteering in these areas.

Send letter to: Guylyn Cummins; Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP; 19th Floor; 501 W. Broadway; San Diego, CA 92101-3598; [gcummins@sheppardmullin.com](mailto:gcummins@sheppardmullin.com).

For more information please visit:

<http://www.abanet.org/forums/communication/scholarships.html>

**Deadline:** November 15, 2007

**Title** American Society for Pharmacy Law

Papers related to pharmacy law, food and drug law, drug policy, or related areas, published in or accepted for publication in any English-language peer-reviewed journal (including law reviews) during the period from January 2006 through December 2007 are eligible. Interested parties are invited to nominate published papers written by themselves or other authors. Authors may submit manuscripts that are in press.

Nominations should provide the name, address, daytime telephone number, and e-mail address of the nominator, a reprint of the full paper, and a complete journal citation for the paper being nominated. If an author is submitting a manuscript that is in press, the copy of the manuscript should be accompanied by documentation from the journal editor of the status of the paper, and should include contact information for the journal editor. The deadline for submission of nominations for the Larry M. Simonsmeier Award is January 15, 2008

Nominations should be addressed to: Scholarship Committee, American Society for Pharmacy Law; 3085 Stevenson Drive, Suite 200, Springfield, IL 62703

Questions may be directed to ASPL at Phone: 217-529-6948 E-Mail: [administration@aspl.org](mailto:administration@aspl.org)  
Please visit <http://www.aspl.org/default.asp?page=simonsmeier.htm> for more information

**Deadline:** Typically April (annually).

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**Title** Asian-American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts

The AALAM Scholarships are intended to be awarded each academic year to an Asian-American law student who demonstrates leadership potential, maturity and responsibility, a commitment to making a contribution to the Asian-American community and other indicia of excellence, whether personal, professional or academic. The amount awarded in 2007 was in the total amount of \$2,500. The amount of each scholarship and the number of recipients is determined by the Committee from year to year.

Potential candidates must be enrolled and in good standing at a law school in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the academic year in which they apply.

Applicants must submit a completed Application Form, official transcripts from law school and other degree-granting institutions, resume and one letter of recommendation written by a person who is not related to the candidate that addresses the candidate's academic, community service or other qualifications to receive the scholarship award.

Applications are available online at <http://www.aalam.org/lawstudents.shtml>

All application materials should be submitted to:  
Jeffrey D. Hsi, Esq.  
Edwards & Angell, and L.L.P.  
101 Federal Street  
Boston, MA 02110

For more information, please contact Jeffrey D. Hsi, Esq. at (617) 439-4444

**Deadline:** Typically April (annually).

**Title** ATLA Trial Advocacy Scholarship

This scholarship is open to all second and third-year AAJ Law Student Members. A \$2,500 scholarship will be awarded to the applicant who best: demonstrates a commitment to AAJ and dedication to its mission through extensive involvement in AAJ student chapter activities; expresses a desire to represent victims; exhibits an interest and proficiency of skills in trial advocacy; shows a financial need for the scholarship.

Applications must include the following: A resume; A statement of financial need; A 500-word essay on how you meet the criteria; Up to three (3) recommendations from a faculty adviser, trial advocacy professor, dean, AAJ member, or trial lawyer; and A completed form verifying your student status.

Applicants should submit their materials to: American Association for Justice; AAJ Trial Advocacy Scholarship; Attn: Nathalie Etori; 1050 31st Street, N.W. ; Washington, DC 20007; 1-800-424-2725, ext 593; 202-965-3500, ext. 593; [nathalie.etori@justice.org](mailto:nathalie.etori@justice.org)

For more information and the application material please visit:  
<http://www.atla.org/members/lawstud/advcschl.aspx>

**Deadline:** April 30, 2008

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**Title** Attorney-CPA Foundation

Fourteen Scholarships will be awarded this year: 2 - \$1,000 Scholarships; 4 - \$500 Scholarships; 8 - \$250 Scholarships. The Foundation will award these scholarships to selected students who will graduate from law school in 2009. The scholarships are for one year only.

Criteria for applicants: Student graduating law school in 2009, a commitment to the profession of accounting as evidenced by a CPA certificate, outstanding academic performance, and leadership in school and community.

Application forms are available at  
<http://www.attorney-cpa.com/i4a/pages/Index.cfm?pageID=3383>

Completed materials should be submitted to: Attorney-CPA Foundation, 3921 Old Lee Highway, Suite 71A, Fairfax, VA 22030; FAX: 703-352-8073, Telephone 888-288-9272

**Deadline:** April 15, 2008.

**Title** Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, Inc. (ELA)

ELA Scholarships are available only to women graduate students with physical disabilities who are enrolled in a college or university in the United States. These scholarships are awarded on an objective and nondiscriminatory basis. Scholarships range between \$500 and \$2,000.

Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements: the student must be a woman with a physical disability; the student must be currently accepted to a graduate program working towards a Masters degree or above in an accredited college or university in the U.S.; the student must be active in a local, state, or national disability organization - either in person or electronically- which is providing services and/or advocacy for people with disabilities; the student must be willing, as an ELA scholar, to network with the ELA Board of Directors and previous ELA Scholarship recipients on the Foundation listserv; the student must be willing, as an ELA scholar, to update the ELA Foundation with an annual letter on September 1st of each year on her progress in her academic and/or working career.

A completed application packet must include: a completed and typed ELA Scholarship Application form with signed affidavit; a completed ELA Verification of Disability form; an essay in 1,000 words or less, explaining how the applicant will change the face of disability on the planet; two letters of recommendation from current teachers, faculty members or employers regarding scholastic aptitude, leadership abilities and personal qualifications; a current transcript. Completed application packets should be sent to: Deborah Lewis, Executive Director, Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, Inc., 2460 North Lake Avenue, PMB #128, Altameda, CA 91001.

**Deadline:** June 1st (annually).

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**Title** Federal Circuit Bar Association: Howard T. Markey Memorial Scholarship & Helen W. Nies Scholarship

An award of \$10,000, in memory of Howard T. Markey and an award of \$10,000, in memory of Helen W. Nies, United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit will be given by the Federal Circuit Bar Association to a law student showing financial need, demonstrated academic promise, and service, either in undergraduate studies or in law school.

The Helen W. Nies Award considerations include: (a) encouraging the participation of women lawyers in the legal profession, (b) recognizing the contributions of women lawyers to society in general, (c) highlighting academic excellence, (d) assessing need, and (e) advancing interest in women law students in intellectual property.

Selection for the awards will be based primarily on a written submission of no more than one page setting out the applicant's financial need, any interests in particular areas of the law, and any qualifications for the awards considered relevant by the applicant.

Submissions must be transmitted in PDF format only by email to [kcasey@stradley.com](mailto:kcasey@stradley.com). Please identify each submission by "FCBA Scholarship Submission" in the "Subject" line. Unfortunately, FCBA cannot process applications that are incomplete when first received. Nor will the association contact an individual noting deficiencies in the application because the volume of applications is robust. Accordingly, it is important students consult the requirements on FCBA's webpage, [www.fedcirbar.org](http://www.fedcirbar.org), and present a complete package within the time frame indicated.

The submission should also include all of the applicant's college and law school transcripts, and a one-page curriculum vitae. All of the submitted materials will be considered, and prior academic performance will not be the primary criteria for selection. Separate submissions for these awards are not needed. Only one Howard T. Markey Scholarship and one Helen W. Nies Scholarship are awarded each year.

**Deadline:** April 30, 2008

**Title** Federal Circuit Bar Association: 2008 George Hutchinson Writing Competition

The Federal Circuit Bar Association is pleased to announce the 2008 George Hutchinson Writing Competition, named in honor of the First Chief Clerk of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals. The Federal Circuit Bar Association comprises over 2,500 nationwide members, who practice law in the areas that lie within the specialized jurisdiction of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals.

The Federal Circuit Court of Appeals was established in 1982 by Congress as the first Article III appellate court to have exclusive jurisdiction over certain defined subject areas. Specifically, the Court's jurisdiction includes appeals from all patent litigation (nationwide), Patent and Trademark Office decisions, government contract claims, International Trade Commission, Merit Systems Appeals, and Veterans Appeals. Entries to the contest may discuss any topic that lies within the procedure, substance, or scope of the jurisdiction of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals. The rules and further information can be found on the next page.

The competition is open to all law students enrolled in ABA accredited law schools. We permit and encourage students to base their entries on papers that they prepared for law school courses and seminars during the 2007/2008 school year. The competition is kept open for the entire school year so that papers prepared during the present Fall or Spring semester can be eligible. Accordingly, it is important students consult the requirements on FCBA's webpage, [www.fedcirbar.org](http://www.fedcirbar.org), and present a complete package within the time frame indicated.

Three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) will be awarded to the entry deemed by the judges to be the best entry and to merit the award. Second and third place cash prizes may also be awarded at the discretion of the judges. In addition, the winner will receive significant favorable publicity to the over 2,500 nationwide members of FCBA.

**Deadline:** June 30, 2008.

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**Title** Federal Circuit Bar Association: Giles Sutherland Rich Memorial Scholarship & William S. Bullinger Scholarship

An award of \$10,000, in memory of Giles S. Rich, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, will be given by the Federal Circuit Bar Association to a law student showing financial need and demonstrated academic promise, either in undergraduate studies or in law school. Selection for the award will be based primarily on a written submission of no more than one page setting out the applicant's financial need, any interests in particular areas of the law, and any qualifications for the award considered relevant by the applicant.

Submissions must be transmitted in **PDF format only** by email to *kcasey@stradley.com*. Please identify each submission by "FCBA Scholarship Submission" in the "Subject" line. Unfortunately, FCBA cannot process applications that are incomplete when first received. Nor will the association contact an individual noting deficiencies in the application because the volume of applications is robust. The submission should also include all of the applicant's college and law school transcripts, and a one-page curriculum vitae. All of the submitted materials will be considered, and prior academic performance will not be the primary criteria for selection. Accordingly, it is important students consult the requirements on FCBA's webpage, [www.fedcirbar.org](http://www.fedcirbar.org), and present a complete package within the time frame indicated.

Only one Giles S. Rich Scholarship is awarded each year. In addition, depending on funds available and other factors, FCBA may also consider awarding other scholarships based primarily on need. These latter scholarships are awarded in the memory of William S. Bullinger, a respected practitioner who tirelessly advanced the association's encouragement of professionalism, civility in practice, and dialogue between Bench and Bar. Last year, we were able to award five of these additional scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 each. We hope to be able to be as generous this year.

**Deadline:** April 30, 2008.

**Title** Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation: Chairman Robert E. Lee Scholarship and Internship Fund

The Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation will award stipends to law students from its Chairman Robert E. Lee Scholarship and Internship Fund. In 2007, the Foundation will award five \$4,000 stipends to law students employed as unpaid summer interns in positions with the FCC and other government agencies or entities with jurisdiction over the communications industry (i.e., broadcasting, cable television, telephony, satellite, wireless, and information technology).

In addition, the Foundation will select one outstanding intern among the five chosen to receive an additional stipend of \$600 for the summer, as the "Max Paglin Intern." Mr. Paglin was the former General Counsel and Executive Director of the FCC, and the founder of the Golden Jubilee Commission on Telecommunications, which compiled a definitive legislative history of the Communications Act.

Applicants will be selected on the basis of: 1) a demonstrated interest in the communications field, 2) having secured or having pending, an unpaid summer position for at least eight weeks in communications with government offices, 3) dependence on financial assistance in order to accept an unpaid internship in a government agency involved in communications; and 4) community activities. Applications are available online at: [http://www.fcba.org/foundation/internship\\_stipends.shtml](http://www.fcba.org/foundation/internship_stipends.shtml)

Completed applications should be submitted to: Kerry K. Loughney; Director of Membership Services; FCBA Foundation; 1020 19<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W. Suite 325; Washington, D.C. 20036; E-Mail: [kerry@fcba.org](mailto:kerry@fcba.org); Website: <http://www.fcba.org>

**Deadline:** Typically mid-March (annually).

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**Title** Finlandia Foundation National Student Scholarships Program

Scholarships are available for full-time undergraduate and graduate students of all academic disciplines enrolled in accredited post-secondary schools in the U.S. and Finland. Candidates must have achieved sophomore or higher status prior to receiving the award and must have maintained a 3.0 GPA. Some of the criteria the scholarship committee uses in evaluating applications are financial need, course of study, and citizenship.

The application should be completed and submitted on-line at <http://www.finlandiafoundation.org/>.

Any additional documents should be mailed prior to the deadline. The number of scholarships is limited by availability of funds in the given year.

Required supplemental information should be sent to: Finlandia Foundation National Scholarship Committee, c/o Alvar Kauti, P.O. Box 10997, Palm Desert, CA 92255-0997. Phone/Fax: (760) 341-3817.

**Deadline:** February 1st (annually).

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**Title** Fredrikson & Byron Foundation Minority Scholarship Program

The Fredrikson & Byron Foundation Minority Scholarship Program sponsors educational opportunities for currently enrolled, first-year law students of diverse backgrounds. The student who is awarded our 2008 scholarship is also invited to become a summer associate in 2009. The Foundation offers one award of \$10,000.

The Minority Scholarship Program is jointly sponsored by Fredrikson & Byron, P.A. and the Fredrikson & Byron Foundation

Please complete the following materials (and mail the necessary forms) to the address below no later than March 31, 2008: Submit the application form online or download and mail; Two (2) written recommendations using one each of the following forms: Applicant Appraisal Form for Law School Professor and Applicant Appraisal Form for Employer or Other Reference; One (1) writing sample from your first-year legal writing course.; Your current law school transcript; Your undergraduate transcript from all undergraduate institutions attended; Résumé.

All application material can be found at <http://www.fredlaw.com/firm/scholarship.htm>

**Deadline:** March 31, 2008

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**Title** George P. Napolitano Internship Fund

Proceeds from the fund support an annual summer internship for a law student at the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD). Through this program, the Fund provides assistance to MCAD and inspires law students to pursue public service. To date, five law students have been named George P. Napolitano Interns.

MCAD is a Massachusetts state agency that investigates, adjudicates and educates the public about discrimination across a multitude of subject areas including, but not limited to, employment, race, age, housing, religion, gender, handicap, maternity, and sexual harassment.

To apply for the George P. Napolitano Internship, please contact Elizabeth Forman, MCAD, at (617) 994-6147 or [elizabeth.forman@state.ma.us](mailto:elizabeth.forman@state.ma.us).

**Deadline:** March 12, 2008

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**Title** Georgetown University Law Center Graduate Tax Scholar Program

Each year the Law Center designates up to ten incoming Tax LL.M. students as Graduate Tax Scholars based on their demonstrated interest in tax policy and their potential to excel in tax scholarship. All Scholars receive full or partial tuition awards and participate in an enrichment program with leading tax practitioners and government officials. The number and size of scholarships awarded each year depends on applicants' prior academic achievements.

Graduate Tax Scholars must complete a substantial research paper on a tax topic during the Spring Semester, either in a seminar course or as Graduate Independent Research. Scholars generally are not permitted to accept paid employment outside the Law Center during the academic year; questions about, or requests for exception from; this policy should be directed to the Director of the Graduate Tax Program. Scholars are free to apply for an academic externship (which involves academic credit rather than compensation) through the Law Center's Spring academic externship program, although they must first consult with the Director of the Graduate Tax Program.

These Scholarships are limited to applicants who earned their J.D. degree at an ABA-AALS approved law school in the United States and who will be matriculating as full-time students. Applications to the Graduate Tax Scholars Program will be considered on a rolling basis, but applicants who wish to be considered for the scholarship must complete the LL.M. application by February 15 at the latest.

Please visit <http://www.law.georgetown.edu/graduate/fellowships.html#1> for additional information.

**Deadline:** February 15, 2008

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**Title** Hispanic National Bar Foundation: Hispanic Scholarship Fund

The College Scholarship Program is available on a competitive basis to community college, four-year college, and graduate students of Hispanic heritage. Award amounts generally range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

To be eligible, applicants must: be of Hispanic heritage, be a U.S. citizen or a legal permanent resident with permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551, be an undergraduate or graduate student enrolled full-time in a degree-seeking program at an accredited U.S. college or university, have earned at least 12 undergraduate units in a U.S. accredited college or university, have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, and have applied for federal financial aid.

Applications are available on-line at [www.hsf.net](http://www.hsf.net) beginning December 1st.

**Deadline:** March 15, 2008.

**Title** Iranian American Bar Association (IABA)

IABA issues one or more scholarships each year to law students in good standing enrolled in an accredited law school in the United States. The award amount varies depending on the organization's financial resources, but IABA has for several years now always set aside funds in an amount at least \$2,000 annually to fund the scholarship program. The scholarships are designed to recognize the commitment of law students to the advancement of the Iranian American community. The awards are aimed at helping those students who have no access to other external funding sources; accordingly, students who are receiving full funding for education from another organization are not eligible.

In order to qualify for consideration as an applicant, scholarship candidates are required to be: of Iranian Heritage or committed to the advancement of the Iranian American community and IABA's mission; enrolled in an accredited law school in the United States; in the position to accept the scholarship in the school year for which it is being awarded; and a full-time student.

The Application must include: duly completed National Scholarship Application Form which is available on the website; A detailed Resume outlining the applicant's education, and work and community experience; Applicant Statement - A statement or essay written by the applicant (no more than one single-sided 1.5 spaced typewritten page) articulating: how the applicant believes he/she will make a difference as an attorney on issues of concern and interest to the Iranian American community and in advancing IABA's mission, and/or what influenced the applicant to study law, and why the applicant would like to be an attorney; and Official Law School and College Transcripts.

Application material may be found at: <http://www.iaba.us/IABA/Content.aspx?pg=2-3>

Please mail in the completed application form, together with the other items required with your application, to The Iranian-American Bar Association, 1025 Connecticut Avenue N.W., Suite 1012, Washington, D.C. 20036.

**Deadline:** December 15th (annually).

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**Title** Leesfield/ATLA Law Student Scholarship

Sponsored by Ira Leesfield and AAJ, this scholarship has been established to award \$1,500 to a law student for attendance at AAJ's Annual Convention. The 2008 Annual Convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 12-16. This scholarship is available to first and second year AAJ Law Student Members.

Applications must include the following: A resume; A statement of financial need; A 500-word written request substantiating the applicant's commitment to preserving the civil justice system; Up to three (3) recommendations from a faculty adviser, trial advocacy professor, dean, AAJ member, or trial lawyer; and A completed form verifying your student status.

Every applicant must be enrolled in an ABA accredited law school. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Application material may be found at: <http://www.atla.org/members/lawstud/leesfied.aspx>

Submit applications to American Association for Justice; Attn: Nathalie Etori; Leesfield/AAJ Scholarship; 1050 31st Street, NW; Washington, D.C. 20007

**Deadline:** April 30, 2008.

**Title** Massachusetts Bar Foundation: Legal Intern Fellowship Program

To assist law students in gaining practical experience in the public sector, the Massachusetts Bar Foundation awards up to six (6) stipends of **\$6,000** each to law students who intern during the summer months at nonprofit organizations providing civil legal services to low-income clients in Massachusetts. Funding from the Smith Family Fund will support one (1) stipend, and from the Massachusetts Bar Foundation's Fellows Fund will support up to five (5) stipends

The Legal Intern Fellowship Program invites applications from law students who have secured a volunteer internship with a qualified nonprofit organization in Massachusetts. Applicants must: Be currently enrolled in a United States law school. Preference will be given to permanent/future residents of Massachusetts. Demonstrate a commitment to public interest law, including experience working with low-income clients and/or issues that affect this population. Commit to work no less than ten (10) continuous, full-time weeks between June 1 and October 1, 2007. Stipends will be paid directly to the intern's organization. The organization will be responsible for administering the stipend, including payment to the intern and filing appropriate tax reports. Stipends may be combined with other awards.

A complete application will include the following: Applicant Information Form (available at [www.MassBarFoundation.org](http://www.MassBarFoundation.org)), two essays (topic details listed on the Applicant Information Form), Organization Supporting Statement Form, resume, official law school transcript and, one letter of reference.

Submit materials to: Legal Intern Fellowship Program, Massachusetts Bar Foundation, 20 West Street, Boston, MA 02111. All materials should be submitted together by 5:00 p.m. on the deadline date.

**Deadline:** 5:00 PM on March 14, 2008

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**Title:** Massachusetts Lesbian & Gay Bar Association – Alexander G. Gray, Jr. Scholarship Award

The Massachusetts Lesbian and Gay Bar Association (ML&GBA) is pleased to announce its second annual Alexander G. Gray, Jr. Scholarship Award in the amount of \$1,000. The Scholarship will be awarded to one law student for the 2008-2009 academic year to defray the costs associated with law school, such as tuition, fees, books and similar school-related expenses.

The Alexander G. Gray, Jr. Scholarship Award will be awarded each academic year to a law student who demonstrates a commitment to and involvement in the LGBT community, leadership, maturity and responsibility. Other indicia of excellence, including personal, professional or academic will also be considered. The MLG&BA Board of Directors will select the recipient of the scholarship, based on recommendations by the Alexander G. Gray, Jr. Scholarship Committee, a subset of the MLG&BA Outreach Committee.

Applications for this year's Gray Scholarship – which awards \$1,000 to a qualifying law student enrolled at a law school in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the 2008 – 2009 academic year– are due and must be received by February 15, 2008. For more information, please visit our website at <http://www.mlqba.org/current/upcoming.php?t=e&id=100> , refer to the scholarship application and feel free to contact Polly Crozier ([polly@kauffmanlaw.net](mailto:polly@kauffmanlaw.net) or 617-577-1505).

**Deadline:** February 15, 2008

**Title** Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF)

MALDEF Law School Scholarship Program awards scholarships up to \$7,000 each year to deserving individuals entering their first, second or third years of law school. Students must be enrolled in law school full-time in the upcoming school year to qualify. The scholarships are awarded to Latino applicants based upon three primary factors: 1) demonstrated involvement in and commitment to serve the Latino community through the legal profession; 2) academic and professional achievement; and 3) financial need.

A complete application must include: a completed and signed MALDEF scholarship application form (available online at <http://www.maldef.org/education/pdf/lssa.pdf>); current resume; a typed personal statement of 750 words or less, double-spaced, detailing your reasons for studying law, your interest in a particular legal field, your professional objectives, your plans after law school, and describing your past involvement in activities which you believe to have served or benefited the Latino community and how these activities relate to your decision to pursue a career in the legal profession; an official undergraduate transcript; an official law school transcript, if applicable; a letter of recommendation describing your involvement in the Latino community from a person familiar with that involvement; a letter of recommendation from a college or law school professor; a completed financial need statement from the school you are or will be attending that indicates both the financial assistance that will be provided to you by the school and your unmet financial need; and a copy of your LSDAS report with your LSAT score.

All application materials should be sent to: MALDEF Law School Scholarship, 634 S. Spring Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90014.

**Deadline:** October 1st (annually).

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**Title** NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund Scholarship Program: Earl Warren Civil Rights Training Program

These scholarships are awarded each year to 15-20 new students whose community involvement activities and leadership qualities demonstrate outstanding potential for training as civil rights and public interest attorneys. These awards are limited to U.S. citizens and preference is given to students who are entering their first year of full-time study. The scholarships are in the amount of \$3,000.

Earl Warren scholarship winners share most of the following: exceptional academic promise and leadership potential; outstanding undergraduate academic records; strong recommendations from professors and employers; desire to use their education to benefit others; remarkable self-confidence and self-awareness; mature, well-considered career aspirations; unique abilities, qualities, and views; commitment to serve family, community, or nation; financial need.

Applications may be requested in writing between November 1<sup>st</sup> and February 28<sup>th</sup>. Requests for applications should be from the applicant, and should include information about the applicant's undergraduate background, expected graduation date, law school plans and career goals.

To request an application, write to: The Earl Warren Legal Training Program, Inc., 99 Hudson Street, Suite 1600, New York, NY 10013.

**Deadline:** February 28

**Title** National Asian Pacific American Bar Association Law Foundation Scholarships

These scholarships are awarded each fall to law students who demonstrate a commitment to serve or contribute to the Asian Pacific American community as future leaders. Each year, two Scholarships of \$5,000 are awarded to the law students who demonstrate particularly outstanding leadership potential to serve the Asian Pacific American community.

Only students enrolled as a J.D. candidate in an accredited law school in the U.S., at least half-time, are eligible. Each applicant must submit the following: a completed and signed NAPABA Law Foundation Scholarship Application form (available online at <http://www.napaba.org/napaba/showpage.asp?code=scholarships>); an essay not to exceed 500 words addressing the most significant experiences from the applicant's background that have shaped and demonstrated their commitment to serving the needs of Asian Pacific Americans and how they will best serve the needs of the Asian Pacific American community in their future legal career; an official copy of their most recent law school transcript; a statement from the law school certifying that they are J.D. candidates enrolled at least half-time; a current resume; and, two letters of recommendation from persons not related to the applicant. Applicants who wish to demonstrate financial need may also submit a copy of their law school application for financial assistance.

The Foundation considers all of the materials submitted by the applicant, with particular weight given to the applicant's essay. Letters of recommendation should be furnished by individuals who can provide relevant information and who can be contacted by the Foundation. The applicant must be in good standing at his or her law school. The Foundation considers factors including, but not limited to, the following: demonstrated commitment to and interest in pro bono, public interest and/or public service legal work; financial need; leadership potential; maturity and responsibility; commitment to serving the needs of the Asian Pacific American community.

**Deadline:** Early-September (annually).

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**Title** National Federation of the Blind

The Federation grants 30 scholarships annually to legally blind persons in higher education from college freshmen to doctoral candidates. The scholarships range in value from \$3,000 to \$12,000. Federation scholarship winners also win a trip to the organization's annual convention.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of scholastic excellence, financial need, and community service.

Applications are available online at [http://www.nfb.org/nfb/scholarship\\_program.asp?SnID=915024383](http://www.nfb.org/nfb/scholarship_program.asp?SnID=915024383).

Completed applications and supporting materials should be sent to: Mrs. Peggy Elliott, Chairman, National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Committee, 805 Fifth Avenue, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Phone: (641) 236-3366.

**Deadline:** March 31st (annually).

**Title** National Italian American Bar Association (NIABA)

NIABA will provide up to three \$1,000 scholarships to one or more student members of NIABA to assist deserving and qualified students to further their legal education at law school.

NIABA will review applications on the basis of scholastic ability, character, activities, and any other information provided on or with the application. Financial need may also be considered.

Applications are available online at <http://www.niaba.org/archive/home.html>.

Applications should also include a personal letter in support of the application, explaining any special circumstances which may have a bearing on the application, how the applicant's law school tuition is being financed, along with official law school transcripts. In addition, applicants may also provide no more than two letters of reference.

**Deadline:** August 15, 2008.

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**Title** Phi Delta Phi Balfour Scholarships

Up to twelve \$3,000.00 Balfour Scholarships, one \$3,000.00 Balfour Minority Scholarship, and one International Exchange Scholarship are available. To qualify, all applications and attachments must be submitted in accordance with the guidelines. It is the Magister's duty and responsibility to ensure that all members of the chapter receive this information in a timely manner so that everyone is afforded the opportunity to apply.

For the Balfour Scholarship Awards, chapters may select up to five candidates, and for the Balfour International Exchange Scholarship Award, up to three candidates.

Please take a moment now to review the materials which are posted under Inns & Provinces at <http://phideltaphi.org/pages/inns-provinces.php>. Magisters are responsible for disseminating this information to all members of the chapter in a timely manner to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to apply for these scholarships. Also, Magisters are responsible for ensuring that the completed applications and accompanying materials are mailed in a timely manner to either your Province President or International Headquarters, depending on the scholarship program. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your Province President or International Headquarters at (800) 368-5606. Many thanks and good luck!

For complete application material please visit <http://www.phideltaphi.org/>

**Deadline:** October (annually)

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**Title** Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund: Puerto Rican Bar Association (PRBA) Scholarship Award

The PRBA selects recipients based on financial need and academic promise. Scholarship recipients will be contacted by PRBA directly. Applicants must be first or second year students in a JD degree program at an American Bar Association (ABA) approved law school. Third year evening students are also eligible. Students working toward their LL.M. are not eligible.

All scholarship candidates must submit a complete and accurate application along with the required supplemental materials for this award. Interested students should check the PRLDEF website at <http://www.prldef.org/Education/Scholarship.htm> for updated information concerning the application requirements.

**Deadline:** March (annually)

**Title** Richard D. Hailey ATLA Law Student Scholarships

This scholarship is sponsored by the Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA) Minority Caucus. Up to six \$1,000 tuition assistance scholarships will be awarded.

Open to all first and second-year African American, Hispanic, Asian American, Native American and Biracial ATLA Law Student Members. Scholarships will be awarded to the applicants who best meet the criteria listed, but not limited to, the following: exhibit an interest and proficiency of skills in trial advocacy; express a desire to represent victims; demonstrate a commitment to ATLA and dedication to its mission through involvement in an ATLA student chapter and Minority Caucus activities; show a financial need for the scholarship.

Applications must include: resume, 500-word essay on how the applicant meets the criteria, up to three recommendations from a faculty adviser, trial advocacy professor, dean, ATLA member, or trial lawyer; and a completed form verifying student status (available at <http://www.atla.org/networking/tier3/Hailey.aspx> ).

For more information or to submit an application, contact: Nathalie Etori; American Association for Justice; The Richard D. Hailey AAJ Law Student Scholarships; 1050 31st Street, N.W. ; Washington, DC 20007; 202-965-3500, ext. 593; [nathalie.etori@justice.org](mailto:nathalie.etori@justice.org)

**Deadline:** April 30, 2008

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**Title:** Sovereignty Symposium: Chief Justice John B. Doolin Writing Competition

John B. Doolin was appointed to the Oklahoma Supreme Court in 1972, and he served as Chief Justice from 1987-1988. He loved to read and write, collect Indian art, and buy Navajo rugs. He recognized the need for a forum to address Native American issues as a result of his service on the Indian Affairs Committee at the National Chief Justices' Conference. He authorized the formation of the Sovereignty Symposium in 1988.

The Supreme Court of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, the Sovereignty Symposium, Inc., and the Oklahoma Arts Council are sponsoring a law student writing competition, open to all students enrolled in an accredited law school in the United States, its territories or Canada.

In conjunction with Sovereignty Symposium XXI, which will be held June 4 and June 5, 2008, at the Skirvin Hotel, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, a scholarly collection of legal and historical writings will be presented to all participants. Legal libraries all over the United States regularly solicit copies of the publications for their collections. The subject matter of the paper may be on any area of the law relating to Native Americans or other indigenous peoples. First, second, and third prizes in the amounts of \$500.00; \$300.00; and \$200.00 will be awarded. The winning entry will also be published in the 2008 Symposium compendium of materials. Second and third place entries will be published if space permits. Entries must be received no later than March 30, 2008. Publication releases will be required prior to payment of prize money.

The entries in the writing competition must be not less than thirty (30) double-spaced pages nor more than fifty (50) double-spaced pages in length. The paper used shall be 8-1/2" x 11" in size and white in color. The title of the paper, the name of the author and a current mailing address and telephone number must be placed on a cover page. Only the title of the paper should appear at the top of the first page of the text. The author's name should appear on the cover page only. Papers must be submitted on an IBM formatted floppy disk in Word or Word Perfect format, or you may e-mail the formatted version to kyle.shifflet@oscn.net. Use a 12-point font in Times New Roman format. Again, the document should be single spaced. The left and right margins must be 2"; the top and bottom margins must be 1.5".

Papers will be evaluated using the following criteria: Timelines of Subject; Originality; Legal Analysis; Use of Authority (both Extent of Authority and the Correct Citation in Text); Creativity of Arguments; Strength and Logic of Conclusions; Grammar; Punctuation and Writing Style. Each of the criteria listed above will be evaluated on a scale of one to ten, with ten being the highest mark. The use of proper Bluebook form for endnotes, as well as Endnote Grammar, Analysis and Exploration will also be considered as part of the rating process. Text and endnote criteria listed above will be evaluated on a scale of one to five, with five being the highest mark.

The Symposium was established to provide a forum in which ideas concerning common legal issues may be exchanged in a scholarly, non-adversarial environment. The Oklahoma Supreme Court espouses no view on any of the issues or any of the positions taken by the participants. All entries must conform to the Symposium standards. Entries that fail to do so in the opinion of the competition judges will be disqualified.

Papers must be submitted to:

Justice Yvonne Kauger  
Sovereignty Symposium  
Oklahoma State Capitol, Room 208  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105  
OR e-mail kyle.shifflet@oscn.net

*For further information, contact Julie Rorie at (405) 522-5801, or email roriej@oscn.net.*

**Deadline:** March 30, 2008

**Title:** Sovereignty Symposium: Ed Edmondson Scholarship

Ed Edmondson served in the United States Congress representing Oklahoma for twenty years. He was a long time supporter of both Native American concerns and education. A maximum of one hundred, Symposium tuition only scholarships will be offered in his name as the Symposium's thank you for his support and efforts during its founding.

The Oklahoma Supreme Court, the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, the Sovereignty Symposium, Inc., and the Oklahoma Arts Council will host Sovereignty Symposium XXI on June 4 and June 5, 2008, at the Skirvin Hotel, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Applicants should demonstrate an interest in and dedication to Native American law issues and the need for a scholarship in a letter of application.

The Sovereignty Symposium was established to provide a forum in which ideas concerning common legal issues can be exchanged in a scholarly, non-adversarial environment. The Oklahoma Supreme Court espouses no view on any of the issues or the positions taken by the Symposium participants or by the authors of writing competition entries.

Applications must be submitted to:

Justice Yvonne Kauger  
The Sovereignty Symposium  
Attn: Ed Edmondson Scholarship Committee  
Oklahoma State Capitol, Room 208  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

*For further information, contact Julie Rorie at (405) 522-5801, or email roriej@oscn.net.*

**Deadline:** May 5, 2008  
**NOTIFICATION:** Upon receipt of scholarship request

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**Title:** Sovereignty Symposium: Susan J. Ferrell Scholarship

Susan J. Ferrell served as Attorney Advisor in the Oklahoma City office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for nine years. Much of her work concerned HUD's Native American programs; she was actively interested in Native American history and culture. One full (tuition, meals, and travel) scholarship to the Sovereignty Symposium XXI will be offered in her memory. Travel, lodging, and meal expenses for the Ferrell scholarship winner will be paid pursuant to the Oklahoma State Travel Reimbursement Act, subject to the limitations.\*

The Oklahoma Supreme Court, the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, the Sovereignty Symposium, Inc., and the Oklahoma Arts Council will host Sovereignty Symposium XXI on June 4 and 5, 2008, at the Skirvin Hotel, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Applicants should demonstrate an interest in and contribution to Native American law issues by an application letter. There is no application form. Please include name, address, and day and evening telephone numbers in your letter. Applicants must be students at an accredited law school in the United States, its territories, or Canada.

The Sovereignty Symposium was established to provide a forum in which ideas concerning common legal issues can be exchanged in a scholarly, non-adversarial environment. The Oklahoma Supreme Court espouses no view on any of the issues or the positions taken by the Symposium participants or by the authors of writing competition entries.

**DEADLINE:** April 1, 2008

Applications must be submitted to:  
Justice Yvonne Kauger.

Attn: Ferrell Scholarship Committee  
Oklahoma State Capitol, Room 208  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

**NOTIFICATION:** After April 29, 2008

\*The student will be paid either mileage at .505 cents per mile or round trip coach fare, not to exceed \$500.00. A maximum of three nights of lodging at the conference rate will be paid directly to the hotel. A per diem of \$49.00 will be paid each day for three days, not to exceed \$147.00.

*For further information, contact Julie Rorie at (405) 522-5801, or email [roriej@oscn.net](mailto:roriej@oscn.net).*

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**Title** Waterbury Bar Association

The Waterbury Bar Association offers three scholarships, the Waterbury Bar Association Scholarship (\$1,500), the Bar President's Scholarship (\$1,000), and the Edward Traurig Scholarship (\$1,000).

A single application is adequate for all scholarships. For the Bar Association and Bar President's scholarships, applicants must be residents of the Waterbury, CT Judicial District (Middlebury, Naugatuck, Prospect, Southbury, Watertown, Wolcott, Woodbury, or Waterbury) and be entering their final year of study in the Fall of 2005 at an accredited law school. For the Traurig Scholarship, applicants must also be residents of the Waterbury Judicial District but can be entering their second or final year of study in the Fall of 2005 as a full or part-time student at an accredited institution.

Application material is available at: <http://www.waterburybar.org/scholarship.html>

A certified transcript must be submitted along with a completed application. Applications should be mailed to: Gina Petrokaitis, Esq.; 678 Chase Parkway; Waterbury, CT 06708

**Deadline:** April 2008.

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