



## 2025 IJC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT MATERIALS COVER SHEET

APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT SCHOOL/YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE MATERIALS RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

### APPLICATION MATERIALS CHECKLIST:

\_\_\_\_\_ APPLICATION & PERSONAL STATEMENT

\_\_\_\_\_ RESUME

\_\_\_\_\_ TRANSCRIPT

\_\_\_\_\_ RECOMMENDATION LETTER

\_\_\_\_\_ PHOTO



**THE ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL ANNOUNCES  
ITS 2025 -2026 LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS  
APPLICATION DEADLINE – June 6, 2025**

**To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must meet all of the following criteria:**

1. Be enrolled or accepted full time in a juris doctor program at an accredited Illinois law school.
2. Complete the Illinois Judicial Council Scholarship Application.
3. Submit a copy of applicant's most recent transcript (need not be official).
4. Submit a current confidential financial statement, Part 6 of the application.
5. Submit one letter of recommendation (from a college or law school professor.)
6. Submit a Personal Statement, Part 5 of the application.
7. Submit a Resume.
8. Submit a current photograph.

**Scholarship applicants will be evaluated in the following areas:**

- \* Proven ability to overcome obstacles
- \* Application
- \* Financial Need
- \* Academic Achievement
- \* Community Activities

All applications and supporting documents must be submitted electronically to Judge Nichole C. Patton at: [scholarship@illinoisjudicialcouncil.org](mailto:scholarship@illinoisjudicialcouncil.org) or [www.illinoisjudicialcouncil.org](http://www.illinoisjudicialcouncil.org) .

Please list your name in the subject line of the emails transmitting your scholarship application and supporting documents (e.g., John Doe's scholarship application or references).

**The application deadline of June 6, 2025, will be strictly enforced.**

Questions should be directed to Judge Nichole C. Patton at [scholarship@illinoisjudicialcouncil.org](mailto:scholarship@illinoisjudicialcouncil.org) or [nichole.patton@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:nichole.patton@cookcountyil.gov). Please note that all scholarship awardees must submit proof of law school enrollment for the 2025-2026 academic year before the scholarship funds will be released.



**ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL 2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION**

**AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS IS: June 6, 2025**

**SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:**

**[SCHOLARSHIP@ILLINOISJUDICIALCOUNCIL.ORG](mailto:scholarship@illinoisjudicialcouncil.org)**

**PLEASE INCLUDE A PHOTOGRAPH WITH YOUR APPLICATION**

**FILLABLE APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ARE AT**

**[ILLINOISJUDICIALCOUNCIL.ORG](http://ILLINOISJUDICIALCOUNCIL.ORG)**

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:**

**PART 1. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

NAME Mr./Mrs./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
(last) (first) (m.i.)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 2. EDUCATION**

COLLEGE/DEGREE \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

What law school will/do you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 3. FINANCIAL AID**

Have you been awarded any scholarship or financial assistance? State amounts and sources, if applicable.

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Would receipt of the **ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL** scholarship preclude your acceptance of other awards? If yes, please explain.

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**PART 4. CAREER GOALS/INTERESTS**

In what area of the law do you intend to specialize, or if none, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

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**PART 5. PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Write a Personal Statement describing yourself and your reasons for attending law school. Include hobbies, social interests, honors received, extra-curricular activities, community participation, achievements and awards. Submit on a separate sheet.

**PART 6. CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**INCOME:**

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION/TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

PAST YEAR GROSS INCOME \_\_\_\_\_

PAST YEAR NET INCOME \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN IN YOUR HOME \_\_\_\_\_ AGES \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF LAW SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_

ESTIMATED LAW SCHOOL EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR \$ \_\_\_\_\_

ESTIMATED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION FOR LAW SCHOOL EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

LIST OTHER GRANTS OR AWARDS AND THE AMOUNT THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES NOT COVERED ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

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Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS IS: JUNE 6, 2025.**