

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 or 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 or 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.