



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE APPLICANT

An applicant for the V.I. Bar Association Scholarship must be a college graduate who has been accepted to or is attending a law school approved by the American Bar Association. The applicant must be a permanent resident of the United States Virgin Islands and plans to engage in the practice of law in the Virgin Islands within three (3) years of graduation. Each successful applicant shall agree to a commitment of one (1) year for each year an award is received.

Please supply all information requested on this form, plus the following:

1. A letter of acceptance to a law school approved by the American Bar Association or your most recent transcript from that institution if already enrolled.
2. Applicant must take the required number of credits as deemed necessary by the law school attending to be considered a full time student.
3. Three letters of recommendation, one from a former college or law school professor and the rest not from a relative related by blood or marriage.
4. An essay on your career objectives and how the schooling you plan will prepare you to attain these goals. (Essay must be typewritten.) (A new essay must be submitted each year you apply.)
5. An official copy of your undergraduate college transcript. If presently attending law school, a copy of your latest official transcript, as well as your undergraduate college transcript.
6. Applicants who are already attending law school must have a grade point average of at least 2.75. If your school does not grade on a 4.0 system, it is incumbent upon the applicant to clearly demonstrate that they fulfill the 2.75 requirement.
7. Applicants who have not started law school must have an undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.25. If your school does not grade on a 4.0 system, it

is incumbent upon the applicant to clearly demonstrate that they fulfill the 3.25 requirement.

8. A copy of your Student Financial Aid form [FAF], or the equivalent thereof.

The monies awarded to the successful candidate will be in the form of a grant, provided the successful applicant returns to practice law in the Virgin Islands. However, if the recipient does not return to practice law in the Virgin Islands within three (3) years of graduation, the grant will become an interest bearing loan at the rate of nine percent (9%) per annum.

Completed application must be mailed to the following address:

VIRGIN ISLANDS BAR ASSOCIATION
Post Office Box 224108
Christiansted, St. Croix
U.S. Virgin Islands 00822

DEADLINE: Applications, and all information requested in Items numbered 1 through 8 of "**Instructions to the Applicant,**" must be postmarked no later than **June 30, 2011.** Please note that applicants can supplement their applications, if necessary, and submit grades and acceptance letters subsequent to the deadline, provided a letter of intent is included with the application.

Failure to submit all information requested will result in a **rejection** of the applicant's application.

V.I. BAR ASSOCIATION
Scholarship Application

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

EXPENSES

Tuition	\$ _____
University Fee	_____
Room	_____
Board	_____
Personal	_____
Transportation (air & ground)	_____
Books & Supplies	_____
Bar Review Materials	_____
Medical	_____
Student Activity Fee	_____
Health Service Fee	_____
Total Expenses	_____

Matching Funds:

Law School Scholarship/Grant Please identify source(s) _____ _____ _____	_____
Student Loan Please identify source(s) _____ _____ _____	_____
Student Contribution Please identify source, or sources, (i.e., savings, family, etc.) _____ _____ _____	_____
	Total Funds: _____

A. TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT: (PLEASE TYPE - BE SURE TO FILL IN ALL BLANKS)

1. Name:(last name) _____

(first name) _____
(middle initial) _____

Social Security No.: _____
Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
Sex: M _____ F _____
Place of Birth: _____. If not a U.S. citizen, are you a permanent resident? _____ How long? _____

2. Address:
Street or Box No. _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone: _____

Years at present address: _____

3. Dependent(s) _____

What is your contribution to the support of said Dependent(s)? _____

4. Local Contact Person: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____

B. SCHOOLING

3. List in order (beginning with last school attended) schools attended in the last four years:

NAME OF SCHOOL	ADDRESS	DATES ATTENDED	DEGREE
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

C. LAW SCHOOL

4. Which school do you plan to attend: _____
Have you been accepted? _____

NAME _____ CITY & STATE _____ YES _____ PENDING _____
1ST
CHOICE: _____

CHOICE _____

D. FAMILY INFORMATION: (If you were domiciled with your parent(s) at any time over the past five years for any period of time, please complete 5-12.)

5. Father's Name _____
Living _____ Deceased _____

Mother's Name _____
Living _____ Deceased _____

6. Home Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____
_____ () _____ - _____

(Father)
_____ () _____ - _____

(Mother)

7. Present occupation of parent(s):
Father _____

Mother _____

8. Name and address of parent(s) employer(s):
Father _____

Mother _____

9. Total income before taxes for last calendar year:
\$ _____ (Father)

\$ _____ (Mother)

10. Please list names and ages of all children in your family:

11. Names of those presently attending college: _____

12. Cost of one year of college for each child listed in 11 above:

E. EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE: (If additional space is needed, please use a plain sheet of white paper).

13. Please list jobs (including summer employment) you have held in the last 3 years:

JOB TITLE & WORK PERFORMED	EMPLOYER'S NAME & ADDRESS	DATES EMPLOYED	WAGES
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F. MILITARY: (If you have ever served in the military, please complete this section)

14. Military service dates: From _____ To _____
Branch of service _____ Serial Num. _____
Rank: _____ Discharge Date _____
Type of discharge _____
If disabled, what is disability rating? _____

G. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS:

15. List your extracurricular activities and interests in order of importance:

16. List any honors or distinctions you have received:

PLEASE CHECK CAREFULLY TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE FILLED IN ALL BLANKS. ANSWER FULLY AND COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS.

(PARENTS SIGNATURE REQUIRED FOR APPLICANTS UNDER 21)

(Date)

Applicant's Signature

(Date)

Father's (or guardian's)Signature

(Date)

Mother's (or guardian's)Signature

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I _____ declare under penalty of perjury that all of the information contained in this proposal for financial assistance is correct and true to the best of my knowledge.

I agree that the decision on applicant selection is solely within the discretion of the Scholarship Committee of the Virgin Islands Bar Association, and I agree to be bound by that decision without further review of Committee selection.

Date _____

Signature _____