



THE JUDICIAL FRIENDS ASSOCIATION 2017 COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

And so, lifting as we climb, onward and upward we go, struggling and striving, and hoping that the buds and blossoms of our desires will burst into glorious fruition ere long. With courage, born of success achieved in the past, with a keen sense of the responsibility which we shall continue to assume, we look forward to a future large with promise and hope. Seeking no favors because of our color, nor patronage because of our needs, we knock at the bar of justice, asking an equal chance. ~ Mary Church Terrell

The Judicial Friends Association is an organization founded in 1976 by local, state and federal African American Judges in the State of New York committed to achieving social and racial justice through law and service to the community. To advance these aims, the Judicial Friends Association mentors law students, offers judicial internships, educates the community to improve understanding of the rule of law, and provides scholarships to deserving law students. The Commitment to Justice Program provides annual scholarships to successful law student applicants who demonstrate passion and commitment to issues of social and racial justice. The Judicial Friends will award two \$1,500.00 scholarships for 2017.

Eligibility

Current Law Students enrolled in a Juris Doctor program at an ABA accredited law school in New York State or New York State residents in a Juris Doctor program at an ABA accredited law school in the United states for the 2016-2017 academic year are eligible to apply.

Scholarships will be awarded to the applicants who best demonstrate academic excellence, community service involvement and a passion for justice.

Application Process

Complete and submit the following no later than **April 21, 2017** to *Hon. Ruth Shillingford, Supreme Court - Kings County, 320 Jay Street - 25th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201.*

Application Form & Resume

Law School Transcript

Letter of recommendation

500 Word Personal Statement/Essay



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NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

LAW SCHOOL _____

YEAR OF GRADUATION _____

OPTIONAL:

Scholarship applicants are invited to indicate which of the following may best describe them:

SELF IDENTIFICATION:

AFRICAN AMERICAN

ASIAN AMERICAN

HISPANIC

NATIVE AMERICAN

MULTI-RACIAL

OTHER _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____