

**The Black Women Lawyers' Association Scholarship Fund**

**Summer 2020 Law Student Hardship Grant**

The Black Women Lawyers' Association Scholarship Fund (BWLA-SF) endeavors to encourage African-American women in the law through support in their legal education and to promote diversity in the legal profession.

**PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP:** The purpose of the BWLA-SF Summer 2020 Law Student Hardship Grant is to meet a portion of the financial need of law students who have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** (1) complete and sign the application, including answering all questions on pages 1 and 2; (2) attend an ABA accredited law school; (3) be returning for at least one more semester in the 2020-2021 school year; (4) demonstrate a commitment to public service or diversity (evidenced by current participation in community service or outreach); (5) have unmet financial needs; and (6) supply a letter of good standing or an unofficial or official transcript\*

**\*If you are unable to obtain these documents from your school due to the pandemic, please let us know.**

**AWARD:** BWLA-SF will award all grants by early August of 2020.

**DEADLINE:** The application and all documentation **must** be e-mailed to [scholarship@bwla.org](mailto:scholarship@bwla.org) by **Friday, July 17, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name:	Telephone Number:
Address (including City, State, and Zip Code):	
Name of Law School:	Year in School:
Are you a current member of the BWLA? Yes            No	Are you interested in becoming a member of the BWLA? Yes            No
On a separate sheet of paper, please list any amount of financial assistance you are currently receiving, such as employment, grants or scholarships (do not include loans).	
Please submit a current resume or curriculum vitae including any extra-curricular activities, community service, outreach activities, and organizations in which you are currently involved and	

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<b>SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONS</b>
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**Applicants must respond to every statement/question below to qualify for the scholarship.** (If you require more space, you may submit your responses on a separate piece of paper, not to exceed 2 additional pages).

**How has the COVID-19 pandemic adversely affected your Summer 2020 plans as a law student?**

**What are you doing or what do you plan to do to advance your legal education and career development this summer despite any lost opportunities or changes in plans that have been caused by the COVID-19 pandemic?**

**What has been your involvement in the Black Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Chicago, Inc. to date and/or how do you intend to be involved in the future?**

**Are there any non-financial ways that the Black Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Chicago, Inc. can assist you at this time?**

**Briefly include any additional information you would like us to consider.**

<b><u>CERTIFICATION</u></b>
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I hereby certify that the information provided herein is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge.

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(Signature of Applicant)

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(Date)