

**ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN ATTORNEYS FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT 2008**

The **ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN ATTORNEYS** (“AWA”) is currently seeking qualified applicants for the AWA Foundation Scholarships to be awarded to deserving second and third year female law students in Houston, Texas.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The AWA Foundation Scholarships are intended to:

Recognize law students who have demonstrated a commitment to excellence and an aptitude for leadership and philanthropy;

Promote excellence in legal studies by providing assistance to deserving students; and

Advance the purposes of the Association of Women Attorneys and the AWA Foundation, which include promoting the welfare and interests of women lawyers, maintaining the honor and integrity of the profession of law, encouraging philanthropy by women lawyers, and informing and educating women lawyers on matters pertaining to their professional interests and status.

AWARDS GIVEN:

Scholarships of \$2,000 will be awarded to two students from each of the three Houston area law schools (UH, South Texas, and TSU). The scholarship recipients will receive a free AWA membership for one year and will be included in the guests of honor at the AWA Judicial Reception on October 22, 2008.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

Any current second or third year female law student at a law school in Houston, Texas who has earned at least 30 credit hours.

CRITERIA:

Scholarships will be awarded to applicants who demonstrate academic achievement, leadership and philanthropic potential, and a strong commitment to the profession, and/or the ability to overcome difficult obstacles. Involvement in programs that highlight advancement or support of women in the profession and in the community and participation in community outreach programs will also be considered.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Postmarked no later than September 29, 2008 if mailed, and must be received no later than 5:00p.m. CST on September 29, 2008 if sent by facsimile or e-mail.

RECOGNITION DATE:

October 22, 2008, at the AWA Judicial Reception. The recipient(s) are expected to be in attendance and are welcome to bring a guest.

**ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN ATTORNEYS
2008 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION. (THE APPLICATION MAY BE GENERATED BY USE OF A COMPUTER, BUT THE FINISHED PRODUCT MUST BE A CLOSE REPRODUCTION OF THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION.)

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Home Phone Number: (____) _____

Mobile Phone Number: (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Marital Status: ____ Number of Children: ____ Number of Children living with you: ____

II. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of Law School: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Number of Hours Successfully Completed: _____

Grade Point Average: _____ Class Standing: _____

<u>College/Universities Attended</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Major/Minor</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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A. Other Graduate Degrees:

B. **Honors and Awards:** Please list any academic honors you received during your undergraduate, post-graduate or law school education:

C. **Extracurricular Activities:** Please describe any groups with which you have been involved in and any positions of leadership you currently hold or have held in such groups:

III. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Please list (or attach to this application a listing or summary of) your involvement in any social, civic, religious, professional or other community groups, including any groups working to support or advance women's issues. Please include any leadership roles you currently hold or have held in such groups.

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A. Financial resources for the 2008-2009 school year:

Savings available at start of school year: _____

Anticipated aid from spouse or family: _____

Scholarships received for 2008-2009 school year: _____

Anticipated earnings for 2008-2009 school year: _____

Other anticipated financial aid for 2008-2009: _____

TOTAL RESOURCES: _____

VI. REFERENCES/ RECOMMENDATIONS

Please identify two individuals who have observed your academic, professional, leadership, philanthropic, work experience, and/or other involvement in activities that you believe qualify you for this scholarship. (Optional: Please provide a letter of recommendation from each individual listed below. Please attach the letters to this application.)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title/Relationship</u>	<u>Address/ Email</u>	<u>Phone</u>
_____	_____	_____ _____ _____	_____
_____	_____	_____ _____ _____	_____

VII. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please attach to this application a general statement of your career objectives and your expectations with respect to the practice of law. Please include the following:

- (1) Why did you decide to go to law school?

- (2) What do you plan to do after law school?

- (3) Why should you be awarded this scholarship? (If applicable, please describe obstacles you have overcome which demonstrate your strength of character, determination, maturity, etc.)

Return completed application, resume, personal statement, and any recommendations to the mailing address, fax number or e-mail address below.

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Contact for Questions:

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