THE ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL
2015 LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Plan to enroll as a full time **second or third year law student** in a juris doctorate program at an accredited **Illinois** law school for the 2015-2016 school year.
2. Submit an official copy of applicant's law school transcript.
3. Submit a current family financial statement.
5. Submit two letters of recommendation (at least one recommendation should be from a law school professor.)
7. Submit a Resume.
8. Submit to a personal interview by the scholarship committee.
   This requirement may be modified upon a showing of compelling circumstances such as residence outside of the Chicago metropolitan area.

Scholarship applicants will be evaluated on the following topics:

- Academic Achievement
- Community Activities
- Extracurricular Activities
- Financial Need
- Proven ability to overcome obstacles
- Honors/Awards/Achievements
- Interview
- Personal Statement
- Recommendations

All applications and supporting documents must be submitted electronically to Judge Sharon Oden Johnson at: **ijc.scholarship@gmail.com**. Please list your name in the subject line of any email concerning your scholarship application and supporting documents (e.g., John Doe's scholarship application or references).

The application deadline of **March 2, 2015** will be strictly enforced.

Questions should be directed to Judge Sharon O. Johnson at **ijc.scholarship@gmail.com**.

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for the week of March 16, 2015 thru March 20, 2015. Applicants who attend school more than fifty miles from Chicago can arrange to be interviewed via telephone.

Please note that all scholarship awardees must submit proof of law school enrollment for the 2015 – 2016 academic year before the scholarship funds will be disbursed.
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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

PART 1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME Mr./Mrs. Ms. _______________________________ AGE __________

(last) (first) (m.i.)

ADDRESS ___________________________________________ Phone __________________

CITY/STATE/ZIP ____________________________ Email __________________________

FACEBOOK ___________________________ TWITTER __________________________

PART 2. EDUCATION

LAW SCHOOL/CURRENT YEAR __________________________________________

COLLEGE/DEGREE/YEAR OF GRADUATION ______________________________________

HIGH SCHOOL ___________________________________________________________

PART 3. FINANCIAL AID

Have you been awarded any scholarship or financial assistance? State amounts and sources, if applicable.

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Would receipt of the ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL scholarship preclude your acceptance of other awards? If yes, please explain. ____________________________

PART 4. CAREER GOALS/INTERESTS

In what area of the law do you intend to specialize, or if none, why not? ________________________________

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PART 5. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Write a Personal Statement describing yourself and your reasons for attending law school. Include hobbies, social interests, honors received, extra-curricular activities, and community participation. Submit on a separate sheet.

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Applicant’s Signature ________________________ Date ________________________
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PART 6. CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

INCOME:

STUDENT’S NAME ___________________________ SPOUSE’S NAME ___________________________

EMPLOYER ___________________________ EMPLOYER ___________________________

POSITION/TITLE ___________________________ POSITION/TITLE ___________________________

PAST YEAR GROSS INCOME ___________________________ PAST YEAR GROSS INCOME ___________________________

PAST YEAR NET INCOME ___________________________ PAST YEAR NET INCOME ___________________________

NUMBER OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN IN YOUR HOME _____ AGES ___________________________

IF YOU HAVE BEEN FINANCIALLY DEPENDENT ON YOUR PARENTS DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING. IF, HOWEVER YOU HAVE BEEN FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS YOU MAY SKIP THIS SECTION REGARDING PARENTAL INCOME.

MOTHER/FEMALE GUARDIAN’S NAME ___________________________ FATHER/MALE GUARDIAN’S NAME ___________________________

EMPLOYER ___________________________ EMPLOYER ___________________________

POSITION/TITLE ___________________________ POSITION/TITLE ___________________________

PAST YEAR GROSS INCOME ___________________________ PAST YEAR GROSS INCOME ___________________________

PAST YEAR NET INCOME ___________________________ PAST YEAR NET INCOME ___________________________

NUMBER OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN IN YOUR PARENTS HOME ___ AGES ___________________________

FAMILY ASSETS

HOME: If own - Present market value $ ___________________________

Amount of unpaid mortgage $ ___________________________

Savings $ ___________________________

Value of other assets $ ___________________________

NAME OF LAW SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND ___________________________

ESTIMATED ANNUAL EXPENSES FOR TUITION AND ROOM & BOARD $ ___________________________

TOTAL AMOUNT OF STUDENT LOANS THAT YOU NOW OWE $ ___________________________

LIST THE NAME AND AMOUNTS OF OTHER GRANTS OR AWARDS YOU WILL RECEIVE __________________________________________________________

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES NOT COVERED ABOVE __________________________________________________________

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE ___________________________ DATE: ___________________________

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS IS: March 2, 2015