



**HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA
LEGAL EDUCATION FUND
2007-2008 ACADEMIC YEAR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTION

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania Legal Education Fund ("HBALEF") and its scholarship program is to assist Hispanic law students enrolled in law schools located in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Delaware Valley.

ELIGIBILITY:

HBALEF scholarships are available on a competitive basis to individuals of Hispanic background. The eligible applicants must be enrolled at a law school located in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the Delaware Valley during the fall of 2007 and the spring of 2008 on a full or part time basis. Application for or receipt of a scholarship in a prior year will not disqualify an applicant in the current year. Although not a condition for a scholarship award, successful applicants are encouraged to contribute to the HBALEF after completing law school and securing employment.

AWARD AMOUNTS:

Each scholarship is traditionally for one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00).

APPLICATION PERIOD AND DEADLINES:

All applications **MUST** be postmarked on or before **Monday, September 10, 2007**, to ensure consideration. Applications cannot be submitted electronically. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted or considered. If an acknowledgment of receipt is desired, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Send your completed application and attachments to:

Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania
Legal Education Fund
P.O. Box 58399
Philadelphia, PA 19102 - 8399

Please note all students are required to submit a color photograph of themselves, approximately 3 inches by 5 inches, with the application documents. The photograph should be a head and shoulder or portrait style shot. Photographs of the selected scholarship recipients will be published in the program book for the HBALEF Scholarship Reception, as in prior years.

SELECTION:

Scholarship recipients are selected by HBALEF Selection Committee which is comprised of board members and directors of the HBALEF. The HBALEF reserves the right to change its criteria for awarding these scholarships without notice. The scholarships will be awarded at the HBALEF Scholarship Reception taking place at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on October 17, 2007. Scholarship recipients are expected to attend the HBALEF Scholarship Reception as guests of the HBALEF.

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Please read all information and instructions before completing the application. Responses to all items should be typed or printed clearly. All applications **MUST** be postmarked on or before **Monday, September 10, 2007**.

1. Name: _____

2. Current Address: _____

3. Permanent Address: _____

4. Day/work Telephone: (_____) _____
Evening/home Telephone: (_____) _____
E-mail address: _____

5. Date of Birth: _____

6. Place of Birth: _____

7. Name of Law School: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

8. Attach a one (1) to three (3) page, double-spaced, personal statement in which you address each of the following areas:

- a. Background;
- b. Achievements;
- c. Career goals;
- d. Geographic area where you will consider practicing;
- e. Need for the scholarship;
- f. Involvement in community activities, if any;

- g. Involvement in law school organizations and/or activities, if any; and
- h. Any other information you deem relevant for consideration.

The personal statement is an important and mandatory part of this application. Accordingly, it should be addressed solely to the HBALEF Scholarship Selection Committee. Personal statements addressed to other institutions or selection committees will not be accepted.

- 9. Submit a current resume.
- 10. If you are not a first year student, submit an official copy of your law school transcript. First year students must submit a letter from the Registrar, or other documentation confirming enrollment for the 2007-2008 academic year.
- 11. Submit a copy of the application for financial aid that you supplied to your law school for the 2007-2008 academic year. **In addition**, please submit a copy your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form or CSS/Financial Aid Profile form for the 2007-2008 year.
- 12. Complete and submit the attached Statement of Income and Expenses for the 2007–2008 academic year.
- 13. Submit a portrait style (head and shoulder) color photograph of yourself. It should measure approximately 3 inches by 5 inches.

Note: Failure to submit ALL documents and materials identified in items 9 through 13 above will result in the rejection of the student's application from consideration.

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

Do you have any dependents? _____ If yes, specify age and relationship to you:

Age _____ Relationship _____ Age _____ Relationship _____
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Can any other individual claim you as a dependent? ____ If yes, specify relationship: _____

How many of the persons in your household, excluding you, are enrolled in college, graduate school, or professional school? _____ What is their relationship to you? _____

Estimated Expenses:

Tuition: \$ _____
Books and Supplies: \$ _____
Room and Board: \$ _____
Transportation: \$ _____
Medical Costs: \$ _____
Child Support: \$ _____
Alimony: \$ _____
Other (Please specify):
_____ \$ _____
_____ \$ _____
_____ \$ _____
_____ \$ _____

Estimated Income:

Earnings of Applicant: \$ _____
Earnings of Spouse or Domestic Partner: \$ _____
Parents' Contribution: \$ _____
Savings: \$ _____
Scholarships: \$ _____
Child Support: \$ _____
Fellowships: \$ _____
Grants: \$ _____
Veteran's Benefits: \$ _____
Student Loans: \$ _____
Alimony \$ _____
Other (Please specify):

_____ \$ _____ _____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____ _____ \$ _____

Total estimated costs for the 2007-2008
academic year:

\$ _____

Total estimated income for the 2007-2008
academic year

\$ _____

Certification:

I certify that all the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I will be enrolled as a full-time or part-time law student at an accredited law school in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the Delaware Valley for the 2007-2008 academic year and, if selected, will use the HBALEF scholarship funds toward expenses related to my law school attendance. I give permission to the HBALEF to share information contained in this application for the purpose of public relations.

Applicant's Signature: _____