

**HISPANIC LAWYERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND OF ILLINOIS (“HLSF”)
SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION - Summer 2018**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, December 15, 2017

All information is solicited for the sole purpose of assisting the HLSF Trustees in the evaluation of applicants. The information will be kept strictly confidential and will be disseminated only to the HLSF Trustees. All questions must be fully answered. Applicants may attach additional pages if necessary to explain any answer. By submitting this application, the applicant consents to verification by the HLSF Trustees of the information furnished herein.

To be eligible for a fellowship you must be a first or second year law student. Selected fellows will be expected to work at a public interest partner agency for the summer of 2018 on a full time basis. Fellows will be awarded a stipend for the summer placement at a partner agency in the range of \$5,000. Fellowship amounts can vary year by year based on available funding. Fellows will be required to pass any pre-employment screens required by the partner agency.

To be eligible for a scholarship you must be currently attending an ABA accredited law school. The scholarship amount awarded varies year by year but can be in the range of \$2,500-\$4,000 depending on available funding.

SECTION I - IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

1. I am applying for the _____ scholarship _____ fellowship. If applying for the fellowship, please rank the fellowships by order of preference:

_____ Cook County State's Attorney's Office (CCSAO) Fellowship

The CCSAO prosecutes criminals and defends the County against civil litigation. It is the second largest prosecutor's office in the country.

_____ Cook County Public Defender's Office (CCPDO) Fellowship

The CCPDO protects the fundamental rights, liberties and dignity of each person whose case has been entrusted to the CCPDO for legal representation.

_____ National Labor Relations Board (NLRB)– Region 13 Fellowship

The NLRB is a federal government agency responsible for enforcing federal labor law in the U.S. The agency investigates unfair labor practices, matters of union representation and shapes U.S. labor policy. For more information please visit www.nlr.gov.

_____ National Immigrant Justice Center (the NIJC)

The NIJC is a Heartland Alliance Program dedicated to defending immigrant rights. NIJC protects human rights and provides access to justice for all immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. The services provided are advice regarding general immigration services, unaccompanied children, asylum, detention, anti-human trafficking and LGBT rights. For more information please visit www.immigrantjustice.org.

_____ Legal Aid Society of the Metropolitan Family Services.

The mission of the Legal Aid Society is to protect and strengthen families by providing equal access to justice for the vulnerable including those who are impoverished, the elderly and victims of domestic violence. For more information please visit www.metrofamily.org/legal-aid.

2. Name: _____

3. Mailing Address

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Personal E-mail: _____ (Please list a personal email address and not a school email so that we may continue to keep in contact with you after you have graduated)

4. Place of Birth

City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____

5. Hispanic Ancestry: ____yes ____no

SECTION II - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

6. Were you claimed as a Dependent on anyone's Federal Tax Return for the 2016 Tax Year?

7. Will you be claimed as a Dependent on anyone's Federal Tax Return for the 2017 Tax Year?

8. How much monetary support will your parents or guardians provide during the 2016-2017 school year? _____

9. Did you or do you expect to claim any Dependents on your Federal Tax Returns for the 2016 and 2017 tax years? _____

10. Please describe your three most recent jobs.

(a) Employer: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Dates: _____ Salary: \$ _____

Job Description: _____

(b) Employer: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Dates: _____ Salary: \$ _____

Job Description: _____

(c) Employer: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Dates: _____ Salary: \$ _____

Job Description: _____

11. Do you expect to be employed during the 2017-2018 school year? _____

Employer: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Dates: _____ Salary: \$ _____

Job Description: _____

12. What was your total income from all sources for the 2016 Tax Years (include your spouse's income)? \$ _____

13. What is your estimated total income from all sources for the 2017 Tax Year (include your spouse's income)? \$ _____

14. List all financial aid received or expected from any source for the 2017-2018 school year.

<u>Loans (specify type)</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
<u>Scholarships</u>		
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
<u>Work/Study</u>		
_____	_____	\$ _____
<u>Other</u>		
_____	_____	\$ _____

SECTION III - ACADEMIC INFORMATION

15. High School Name: _____

16. Undergraduate Institution: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Dates of Attendance: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Honors, Awards, or Special Recognitions: _____

17. Graduate Institution (other than law school): _____

City: _____ State: _____

Dates of Attendance: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Honors, Awards, or Special Recognitions: _____

18. Law School: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Are you a first, second or third year student? _____
Day or evening student? _____
Full-time or part-time? _____
Anticipated date of graduation: _____
GPA: _____ Grading Scale: _____
Class Rank: _____
Honors, Awards, or Special Recognitions: _____

SECTION IV - COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION

19. Describe any community service activities in this section or as an attachment:

SECTION V - OTHER INFORMATION

20. What is your level of proficiency in the Spanish language? _____
21. Where do you intend to practice after law school? _____
22. Are you currently, or have you ever been, a party or a witness or involved in the representation of a party or a witness, in any proceeding involving the Cook County State's Attorney? Yes___ No _____ If you answered yes, please attach a detailed explanation of your involvement.
23. Have you ever clerked, volunteered or been a 711 in the Cook County State's Attorney's Office before? Yes___ No _____ If you answered yes, please attach a separate page indicating when, where and for whom you worked.
24. Are you a past recipient of a Hispanic Lawyers Scholarship Fund award? If yes, please provide amount and date of award: _____
25. It is required that you provide an explanation in two pages or less your career goals and why your background and experience illustrate a commitment to the legal and social needs of the Latino community.

26. It is required that you submit your resume with this application.

SECTION VI - OTHER REQUIREMENTS

All fellowship finalists may be asked to appear before the HLSF Trustees for a brief personal interview as a condition of further consideration by the Trustees. If an in-person interview cannot be arranged, HLSF may, in its discretion, arrange for a phone interview.

Recipients will be honored at a reception, which will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2018 in Chicago, Illinois. If you are selected as an award recipient, attendance at the reception to accept your award will be required.

SECTION VIII - APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that:

1. I am not related to any officer/trustee of the Hispanic Lawyers Scholarship Fund.
2. I am currently registered as a law student at the ABA accredited law school identified in this application.
3. All information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return the completed application by **Friday, December 15, 2017** to:

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