THE ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL ANNOUNCES
ITS 2016 LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

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

1. Be enrolled full time in a juris doctorate program at an accredited Illinois law school.
2. Submit an official copy of applicant's transcript.
3. Submit a current family financial statement.
5. Submit two letters of recommendation (one should be from a college or law school professor.)
7. Submit a Resume.
8. Submit to a personal interview by the scholarship committee.
   This requirement may be modified upon showing of compelling circumstances such as enrollment at a school outside of the Chicago area.

Scholarship applicants will be evaluated in the following areas:

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

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 the emails transmitting your scholarship application and supporting documents (e.g., John Doe’s scholarship application or references).

The application deadline of April 25, 2016 will be strictly enforced.

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

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for the week of May 5, 2016 thru May 9, 2016. 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 released.
ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

PART 1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME Mr./Mrs. Ms. ___________________________  BIRTH DATE __________________

(last) (first) (m.i.)  Phone ___________________________

ADDRESS ____________________________________________

CITY/STATE/ZIP __________________________________________

Email __________________________________________

FATHER/MALE GUARDIAN ____________________________________  OCCUPATION __________

MOTHER/FEMALE GUARDIAN ____________________________  OCCUPATION __________

OTHERS IN HOUSEHOLD, AGES __________________________________

PART 2. EDUCATION

COLLEGE/DEGREE __________________________________________

HIGH SCHOOL __________________________________________

To what law schools have you applied? __________________________________________

What law school do you attend? __________________________________________

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 ____________________________

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS IS: APRIL 25, 2016
ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
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 ___________________________

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 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 COLLEGE EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR $ ___________________________

LIST OTHER GRANTS OR AWARDS AND THE AMOUNT THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE ___________________________

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES NOT COVERED ABOVE ___________________________

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APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE

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