WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

WSBA New Member Programs 2024 Trial Advocacy Program Scholarship Application

Thank you for your interest in the WSBA New Member Programs Scholarship for the Trial Advocacy Program (TAP). TAP offers a two-day trial skills training (online) followed by a one-day mock trial (in-person in downtown Seattle). This seminar is geared toward attorneys working in either the criminal or civil arena, with little to no trial experience, but a strong desire to become trial lawyers. Two scholarships will be awarded. The scholarship recipients will receive complimentary tuition to the TAP seminar and mock trial (participation in mock trial is optional).

Scholarship applicants will be selected by the TAP co-chairs, who will consider the following factors:

- The applicant must be a "young lawyer" as defined by the WSBA Bylaws (Active lawyer members of the Bar will be considered Young Lawyers until the last day of December of the year in which the member attains the age of 36 years or until the last day of December of the fifth year after the year in which such member first was admitted to practice as a lawyer in any state, whichever is later),
- Articulated need to develop trial experience and skills for career advancement, and
- Involvement in the greater legal community (through pro bono work, volunteer activity, involvement in state, local or minority bar association, etc.).

Personally identifying information will be removed from the application before review by the co-chairs.

Scholarship recipients must agree to write an article for the WSBA blog, NWSidebar, on their experience participating in the 2024 Trial Advocacy Program before the 2025 Trial Advocacy Program takes place in May 2025.

To apply, please email this completed form along with your resume to <u>newmembers@wsba.org</u> **no later than Friday, April 5, 2024.**

Date:			
Applicant Name:			
Firm/Employer:			
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:		Zip Code:
Phone:	Fax:		E-Mail:
WSBA Bar No.		Year Admitted to Practice In Washington:	
Area(s) of Practice:			
Firm Size:			

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Please provide a brief statement describing the reason(s) for your interest in participating in the Trial Advocacy Program.

Do you have any trial experience? If yes, please provide more detail, including whether it was a bench or jury trial, the general legal issue(s), and the length of the trial.

How does participation in the Trial Advocacy Program fit in with your career goals?

Do you handle any pro bono cases, volunteer in your community, or participate in any WSBA programs, committees, or sections? If so, please provide a brief description of your involvement.

If selected as a scholarship recipient, please choose how you would like to attend:

Trial Advocacy Program Seminar Only (Webcast) (13 CLE credits) Trial Advocacy Program Seminar (Webcast) & Mock Trial (in-person, Seattle) (17.25 CLE credits)

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If you have any questions, contact <u>newmembers@wsba.org</u> or call (206) 239-2109.

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