

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Scholarship Fund to Attend ABA Young Lawyer Division Meetings

The Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) and the Washington Young Lawyers Committee (WYLC) have prioritized the use of funds to send new and/or young lawyers to serve as an American Bar Association Young Lawyer Division (ABA YLD) delegate at ABA YLD meetings and/or conferences. This scholarship fund is designed to:

1. encourage attendance and participation at the ABA YLD meetings, and
2. to create the opportunity for delegates to bring ideas back to the WYLC about how to engage and serve new lawyers in Washington.

Scholarships for the Annual meeting: There will be up to two \$675 scholarships awarded for new and young lawyers the ABA annual meeting in Chicago, IL on August 2 - 4.

For the annual conferences, the Washington delegate(s) will participate in any applicable voting as a member of the ABA YLD Assembly, representing the interest of new and young lawyers in Washington State. Attendance at Assembly meetings is required.

Responsibilities

Following their attendance at one of the above meetings, each delegate is required to attend a WYLC meeting and provide a presentation to share what they have learned that may be applicable to new and young lawyers in Washington State, and be prepared to answer questions. Additionally, delegates may be asked to provide a written summary to new and young lawyers via the WSBA new lawyers list serve and/or the WSBA blog, NWSidebar. Delegates are encouraged to attend plenary and closing sessions and at least one block of programming on each day.

Requirements to Apply

1. Applicants must be current members of the ABA YLD.
2. Applicants for the scholarship fund must be considered a new or young lawyer as defined in section XII of the WSBA Bylaws at the time of the selection to serve as delegate. The WSBA considers an active member a young or new lawyer if at least one of the two criteria below is met:
 - the member has been admitted to practice for fewer than five years (in any state), or
 - the member is under 36 years of age.

Selection Process

The ABA WYLC Subcommittee has selection authority over who will be awarded the scholarships.

For more information, contact newmembers@wsba.org.

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APPLICATION

Name: _____

Email: _____ Bar No. _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

Which meeting are you applying for scholarship funding to attend? Please note application deadlines:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Application Deadline</u>
___ Annual	August 2 - 4, 2018	Chicago, IL	Friday, June 8, 2018

Why are you interested in attending the ABA Annual Meeting?

Are you actively involved in any Bar Association programs or projects? If so, please name them and briefly describe your involvement, including any positions held:

Describe how this scholarship fund will improve your participation with the WSBA and/or the Washington Young Lawyers Committee:

Please explain your specific financial need, as well as your employer's role in supporting your travel to meetings (what type of travel budget you have):

Do you receive funding from any source to attend ABA YLD meetings (such as an ABD YLD scholarship, emerging leader program, employer or local bar association)? If so, please provide the amount you receive.

Please list any *pro bono* participation and/or activities:

Have you ever attended an ABA YLD Meeting? _____ Yes _____ No

Have you ever attended any other ABA Meetings, and how many?

Delegates will receive the reimbursement after each meeting by completing a WSBA Expense Report form and including all applicable receipts up to the limit specified in the scholarship they receive. Reimbursement will only be made for expenses for airfare, hotel, registration, or meals (excluding alcoholic beverages) incurred in connection with the meeting.

If you are unable to attend a meeting for which you have been selected to serve as applicant, please email NewMembers@wsba.org as soon as possible. This will allow us to award another applicant the scholarship.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return your completed application by mail or email to:

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