



TOM HOMANN LGBT LAW ASSOCIATION

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DEADLINE: All scholarship materials must be received by the Foundation by **February 4, 2019**.
Late materials will not be accepted.

Please e-mail scholarship materials to: thlafoundation@gmail.com
(Please follow-up if you do not receive a confirmation e-mail)

Alternatively, you may mail scholarship materials to:
Tom Homann LGBT Law Association
2358 University Ave., PMB 137
San Diego, CA 92104
(Mailed materials must be received by February 4, 2019)

Questions can be directed to:
Nicholas Fox, THLA Foundation President (thlafoundation@gmail.com; 858-847-6729)

The Tom Homann LGBT Law Foundation ("Foundation"), the charitable non-profit arm of the Tom Homann LGBT Law Association ("THLA"), is seeking applicants for its annual law school student scholarship program. Through this program, the Foundation will award scholarships to eligible and qualified law students. The Foundation reserves the right to determine the number of scholarship recipients and the respective amount of each individual scholarship. The Foundation also reserves the right to award grants to particular organizations in support of or advocating for LGBTQ rights and the community. Scholarship recipients will be notified in late February 2019. Recipients will also be invited to and announced at the 2019 THLA Annual Dinner.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Students must meet all of the following criteria when submitting their Applications:

1. Must be a current paid member of THLA. Paper and electronic membership applications are available online at <https://thla.org/membership/become-member/>.
2. Must be enrolled at an ABA-approved law school. Preference will be given to students enrolled at California Western School of Law, Thomas Jefferson School of Law, the University of San Diego School of Law, or who demonstrate significant ties to San Diego and/or the intent to work in San Diego after graduation. However, applications are accepted and encouraged from other law schools.
3. Must submit all Application materials so that they are received by the Foundation on or before **February 4, 2019**.
4. Must make best efforts to attend the THLA Annual Dinner in San Diego if selected as a scholarship recipient. Scholarship recipients will be notified in late February. The Annual Dinner usually occurs in mid-April to mid-May every year.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The Foundation will award scholarships based on evaluation of the following criteria, in order of importance.

1. Current and past leadership experience or general involvement in LGBTQ organizations or the LGBTQ community, including efforts of promoting diversity generally in the legal or other communities. In this regard, allies of the LGBTQ community are encouraged to apply.
2. Current and past leadership experience or general involvement with other organizations, preferably legal in nature.
3. Academic achievement in law school.
4. Financial need.
5. Applicant's personal statement.

These criteria are further described in the Student Scholarship Application.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete and submit the attached Student Scholarship Application, including attachments A to E. You may attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.



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Name: _____ **Phone Number:** _____
Address: _____ **Email Address:** _____
_____ **Law School:** _____
Anticipated Graduation: _____

Self-Identification: (optional; please check all that apply)

_____ American Indian or Alaska Native
_____ Asian
_____ Black or African American
_____ Hispanic or Latino
_____ Middle Eastern
_____ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
_____ Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or Transgender
_____ White
_____ Other (describe): _____

How did you hear about the scholarship? (optional; please check all that apply)

_____ THLA website or announcement
_____ Advertisement at Law School
_____ LGBT Law School Student Organization
_____ Law School Career Services Office
_____ Law School Financial Aid Office
_____ Friend/Law School Classmate
_____ THLA Member
_____ Other (describe): _____

Certification

By signing below, I agree and acknowledge that: (1) the information that I have provided in connection with this scholarship is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge; (2) I will be disqualified from scholarship consideration or may be required to return my scholarship award if any information that I have provided is determined by the Foundation to be false, misleading, or inaccurate; (3) I will provide additional information for verification purposes if requested by the Foundation; (4) I will be disqualified from consideration if my Application is incomplete, late, or I do not meet all of the eligibility criteria, as determined solely by the Foundation; (5) my Application and accompanying materials are the property of the Foundation and will not be returned to me; (6) the Foundation Board of Directors, or a Committee thereof, will determine scholarship recipients, and recipient decisions will be final and binding; and (7) the Foundation reserves the right to award no scholarships. I further agree that the Foundation can use my name, image, and background information for purposes of marketing the efforts of the Foundation and/or THLA, and increasing the awareness and the goals of the Foundation and/or THLA.

DATE: _____ **SIGNATURE:** _____
PRINTED NAME: _____



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ATTACHMENT A

LGBTQ LEADERSHIP AND EXPERIENCE

Please describe your current and past leadership experience or general involvement in LGBTQ organizations or in the LGBTQ community. This includes other efforts to promote diversity generally in the legal or other communities. Your experience can be volunteer or paid, legal or non-legal. Please include a short description of your responsibilities and accomplishments, and how you may use your law degree to advance the interests of the LGBTQ community and/or diversity generally.



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ATTACHMENT B

OTHER LEADERSHIP AND EXPERIENCE

Please describe your current and past leadership experience or general involvement with other organizations, preferably diverse and/or legal in nature. Your experience can be volunteer or paid, legal or non-legal. Please include a short description of your responsibilities and accomplishments.



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ATTACHMENT C

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Please provide your most recent transcript, current class schedule, class standing or rank (if possible), and list any academic achievements (such as awards, honors received, etc.), either during law school, undergraduate studies, or graduate studies.



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ATTACHMENT D

FINANCIAL NEED

Please describe how you are paying for law school, and approximately what percentage is currently paid by any or all of the following methods: parents or other family (including spouse, significant others, etc.); loans (government and/or private); other scholarships or grants; self; and other.



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ATTACHMENT E

PERSONAL STATEMENT

In 500 words or less, please share *any additional information about yourself that you would like the Foundation to know* when considering your Application. You may include things such as merit, hardship, challenges, life experience, any THLA or Foundation events that you have attended, how you plan to use your law degree, how you would use the scholarship funds if the Foundation selected you as a recipient, hobbies, etc.