

JAPANESE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Deadline: January 6, 2018

The Japanese American Bar Association Educational Foundation is pleased to offer five scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 to \$3,000 each for deserving law students in furtherance of their legal education.

- (1) Justice John F. Aiso Scholarship. Justice Aiso served as the chief instructor of what became the Military Intelligence Service Language School. In 1953, he became the first Japanese American California state judge when Governor Earl Warren appointed him to the municipal court. He was later appointed to the Second Appellate District in 1968.
- (2) Justice Stephen K. Tamura Scholarship. Justice Tamura was interned in Poston with his family and later served in the all-Nisei 442nd Regimental Combat Team. In 1961, Governor Pat Brown appointed him to the Orange County Superior Court and later elevated him to the Fourth Appellate District. Justice Tamura was the first Asian American to sit on the California Court of Appeal. He also served as Justice Pro Tem on the California Supreme Court.
- (3) Judge Edward Y. Kakita Memorial Scholarship. Judge Kakita was interned with his family during World War II. He was the driving force behind the formation of the Japanese American Bar Association (“JABA”) in 1976 and became JABA’s first President. Governor Jerry Brown appointed him to the Superior Court in 1980. This scholarship is intended for those law students interested in practicing in the areas of international law, commercial litigation, and/or corporate law.
- (4) LimNexus Foundation Scholarship. The LimNexus Foundation Scholarship is funded by the law firm of LimNexus LLP. The LimNexus Foundation works through bar associations to grant scholarships to minority law students in the pursuit of a more just and equitable society.
- (5) M. Dick Osumi Civil Rights and Public Interest Scholarship. Mr. Osumi was a prominent civil rights and labor attorney who served as JABA President in 1992. He was one of the founding members of JABA’s Community Education Committee, and one of the founders of the UCLA Asian American Studies Center. This scholarship is intended for those law students interested in practicing in the areas of civil rights, public interest law, and/or public policy.

To Apply:

The scholarships are open to law students with a demonstrated commitment to community service, including but not limited to a commitment to serving the Japanese American community and/or the API community. Additional factors may include financial need, adversity, academic achievement, and desire to practice law in the Southern California area. Applicants from prior years are also encouraged to apply.

Please complete and sign the application form available at www.jabaonline.org/scholarships/. All applications must be emailed (preferably in a single PDF attachment) by the deadline to JEFscholarship@gmail.com. In addition, please submit the following with your application:

- your current resume;
- an official or unofficial transcript from your law school; and
- a personal statement of no more than 500 words addressing the following:
 - your demonstrated commitment to community service;
 - your ties/involvement with the Japanese American community and/or API community (past, present and/or future), if any;
 - your plans for using your law degree; and
 - any other information you feel is relevant to your application.

The scholarship recipients will be honored at the JABA Installation & Awards Gala in Los Angeles, date TBA. Attendance is encouraged, but not mandatory to receive a scholarship.

Thank you for your interest in the Japanese American Bar Association Educational Foundation scholarships. If you have questions, please e-mail Karyn Ihara and Allyson Sakai, Scholarship Committee Co-Chairs, at JEFscholarship@gmail.com.

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Scholarship Application 2017-2018 Academic Year

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: Ms. Mr.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address:

(Number/Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone: Email:

Ethnic Background (Optional):

Dependents:
(Include name/age/relationship)

EDUCATION (Please also attach law school transcript; an unofficial copy is acceptable.)

School	Name/Location	Year Level	Major/ Course of Study	GPA/ Class Rank	Graduation Date	Degree
Law School						
College or University						
Other						
Other						

EMPLOYMENT (Please also attach a current resume.)

1. Employer	<input style="width: 95%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Address	<input style="width: 95%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>		
Job Title	<input style="width: 25%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Monthly Income	<input style="width: 10%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Dates of Employment	<input style="width: 20%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
2. Employer	<input style="width: 30%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Address	<input style="width: 95%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>		
Job Title	<input style="width: 25%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Monthly Income	<input style="width: 10%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	Dates of Employment	<input style="width: 20%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Please describe your financial need below.)

Income:		Expenses:	
Employment	<input type="text"/>	Tuition/Fees	<input type="text"/>
Loans	<input type="text"/>	Rent/Mortgage	<input type="text"/>
Grants/Scholarships	<input type="text"/>	Utilities	<input type="text"/>
Parents/Spouse/Partner/Other	<input type="text"/>	Food/Clothing	<input type="text"/>
Total Income:	<input type="text"/>	Total Expenses:	<input type="text"/>
Total Assets (real/personal property, car, etc.): <input type="text"/>		Total Debts (mortgage, loans, credit card, etc.) <input type="text"/>	

COMMUNITY SERVICE (List name of organizations and include description, dates, and frequency of service.)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Are you a member of the Japanese American Bar Association (JABA) and/or other Asian Pacific Islander bar associations? Yes - JABA Yes - Other No

Would you like to be informed of future JABA and JABA Educational Foundation events? Yes No

If yes, please include your permanent email address. Email:

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS

JABA Educational Foundation annually awards 5 scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 to \$3,000. The scholarships are listed below. Please select the scholarships for which you wish to apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Justice John F. Aiso Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> LimNexus Foundation Scholarship (Your application may be shared with the LimNexus Foundation)
<input type="checkbox"/> Justice Steven K. Tamura Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> Judge Edward Y. Kakita Scholarship*
<input type="checkbox"/> M. Dick Osumi Civil Rights and Public Interest Scholarship**	

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please attach a personal statement of no more than 500 words as described in the accompanying instruction sheet.

* If you are applying for the Kakita Scholarship, please include an additional paragraph regarding your interest in international law, commercial litigation, and/or corporate law.

** If you are applying for the Osumi Scholarship, please include an additional paragraph regarding your interest in civil rights, public interest law, and/or public policy.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I hereby certify that the answers provided herein are correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any incorrect or false information provided herein, whether willingly or accidentally, is grounds for disqualification.

Applicant Signature Date

Please submit all required materials via email to : JEFscholarship@gmail.com. Application deadline is January 6, 2018.