California Asian-Pacific American Judges Association

CAPAJA SCHOLARSHIP

The California Asian-Pacific American Judges Association (CAPAJA) is proud to announce its annual scholarship opportunity for law students. We are excited to give scholarships ($1,500 each) this year to law students who are serving or intend to serve as a judicial clerk/intern/extern in California and share CAPAJA’s mission to promote diversity in the legal profession, improve the administration of justice, and ensure access and fairness for all who use the courts.¹

In order to be eligible for these scholarships, you must be:

1) An enrolled law student;
2) Currently serving as a judicial clerk/intern/extern during the school year or have applied for and/or received an offer for a judicial clerkship/internship/externship (including for the summer); and
3) Attend the Scholarship Ceremony at a date and time to be determined.

A scholarship application must include the following items:

- A completed and signed application form;
- Your current resume; and
- A personal statement of no more than two (2) pages, double-spaced, describing your interest in, commitment to, and any plans for a career in the judiciary (such as externing for a judge, federal judicial clerkships, or research attorney positions), and your involvement with the Asian Pacific American community. Please highlight why you want to pursue a career in the judiciary, as well as specific instances where you have worked to help the Asian Pacific American community. Letters of reference and any other supporting materials are optional.

Please contact Scholarship Committee Chairs Judge Jana M. Seng (JSeng@lacourt.org) or Judge Frederick Chung (FChung@scscourt.org) if you have any questions.

Please visit www.capaja.org for further information about the organization.

¹ CAPAJA does not discriminate on the basis of age, gender, disability, race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, or veteran status. Immediate family members of CAPAJA’s Scholarship Committee are ineligible for the scholarships.
2023 CAPAJA Scholarship Application Form

Instructions: Please answer each question completely and accurately. When necessary, please use additional pages to complete your responses. Please be sure to note the question to which you are responding. An application is not considered to be complete unless all questions are answered.

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION
Last Name:  
First Name:  
Middle Initial:  

E-mail address:  
Telephone:  

Current Address  
Street Address:  
City:  
State:  
Zip Code:  

Permanent Address (if different from above)  
Street Address:  
City:  
State:  
Zip Code:  

Please indicate how you would like us to contact you regarding your application  
☐ E-mail  
☐ Current Address  
☐ Permanent Address

2. EDUCATION
Please list all undergraduate, graduate, and legal education you have received and include the educational institution, graduation (or anticipated graduation) dates, any honors or awards, and all major and minor fields of study.

3. PERSONAL STATEMENT (maximum of two (2) pages, double-spaced)
Please tell us why you chose to pursue a legal education and detail your interest in, commitment to, and any plans for a career in the judiciary (such as externing for a judge, federal judicial clerkships, or research attorney positions), as well as your involvement with the Asian American/Pacific Islander community. Please highlight why you want to pursue a career in the judiciary, as well as specific
instances where you have worked to help the AAPI community. Please also indicate what the scholarship would mean to you financially.

4. SIGNATURE
I understand that the CAPAJA Scholarship Committee will rely on the information contained in this application. The above statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I understand the following:

- All application materials must be completed and received by 6:00 p.m. PST on April 15, 2023. Please e-mail all applications to: CAPAJA2020@gmail.com.
- The top finalists will be contacted by a representative from the Scholarship Committee.
- Scholarship recipients must plan to attend the CAPAJA Scholarship Ceremony at a date and time to be determined.
- The scholarship recipients will be requested to provide a recent digital photograph of themselves upon receiving individual notification of their award which will be used in the event program, on the website, and any other media. Please do not send photos with your application.
- The CAPAJA Scholarship Committee reserves the right to use information from applications as part of its publicity of the scholarship.

Full Name of Applicant:
Initials: (Typing your initials shall be considered your electronic signature.)

Date: