



## MEXICAN AMERICAN BAR FOUNDATION BAR STIPEND PROGRAM 2018

The Mexican American Bar Foundation proudly announces the opening of the application season for its California Bar stipend program, now in its seventh year.

### CRITERIA

In awarding bar stipends, the Foundation's Scholarship Committee considers the applicant's financial need, academic achievement, community service, leadership experience and any hardship experienced in pursuing an education. Bar stipends range up to \$2,000.

### ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility is limited to matriculated law students who: (1) are of Hispanic/Latino heritage or descent; (2) currently attend ABA-accredited law schools in Los Angeles County (Loyola, Pepperdine, Southwestern, UCLA, and USC), or UC Irvine School of Law; and (3) will sit for the July 2018 or February 2019 California Bar Examination. We regret we do not have the resources to assist other students.

### INSTRUCTIONS

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT.** Answer all questions. Attach additional sheets as necessary. The quality and accuracy of your application are critical. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. **Applications must be received via EMAIL ONLY before midnight on Friday, January 26, 2018.** (The application and all documents submitted therewith must be in Word or PDF format and if necessary scanned by the applicant and attached thereto.) **NO HARD COPY, IN-PERSON or HAND-DELIVERED SUBMISSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** The Foundation will select applicants based on the written submission; interviews will not be conducted. Most bar stipend recipients will be notified in Spring 2018. Awards will be sent to selected applicants as soon as practicable upon their having provided satisfactory proof of (1) registration for the July 2018 or February 2019 California Bar Examination and (2) enrollment in a bar review course.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. NAME:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. BIRTH DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

3. PERMANENT ADDRESS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street City State Zip

4. ADDRESS WHILE IN SCHOOL:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street City State Zip

Send mail to (check one): Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_ School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

5. EMAIL ADDRESS(ES): \_\_\_\_\_

6. TELEPHONE NUMBER(S): \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please list all telephone numbers where you can be reached during the school year and the Summer.)

7. ETHNICITY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Specify)

8a.

LAW SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING:

School Name	City	State

8b.

LAW SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT: **Please obtain a certified copy of your transcript, break the seal, and attach a PDF copy of that transcript to your application.** We reserve the right to receive and inspect the original at our discretion.

9.

YEAR IN LAW SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_  
Full-time \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_\_\_ Year of original enrollment \_\_\_\_\_  
Expected Date of Graduation: Month/Year \_\_\_\_\_ What is your current cumulative GPA? \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

10a.

Have you applied for financial aid for the current school year?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of your federal financial aid application, including the portion showing your estimated budget.**

10b.

Estimate the total amount of student loan debt from all sources that you:

Owed to date: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Expect to owe at graduation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

11.

Have you ever received a scholarship from the Mexican American Bar Foundation? If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

12.

Are you currently employed? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Employer name, address and telephone number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Position/duties: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours/week: \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Income: \_\_\_\_\_

13a.

Do you have an offer of employment after graduation? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please furnish the name of your future employer and your anticipated monthly salary: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

13b.

Do you anticipate having any other source of financial support while studying for the bar examination? If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

14.

Please list prior full or part-time work experience (most recent first):

Dates	Employer	Position	Full/Part-Time	Salary

15.

Are you claimed as a dependent by a family member or guardian?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please state by whom: \_\_\_\_\_

16a. Parents/guardians: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

16b. Father's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

16c. Father's education /college(s) attended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's education/colleges(s) attended: \_\_\_\_\_

17. What is your marital status? Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Civil Union \_\_\_\_\_ Separated \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/partner's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/partner's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/partner's annual Income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

18. Do you have dependent children? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_

19. Do you have any other sources of income or assets? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, please explain:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION**

20. Undergraduate and graduate institution(s) attended:

Name	Location	Dates	Degree or Units
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

**ACTIVITIES, INTERESTS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

21. Please list previous and current extra-curricular activities:

Activity	Position Held	Year(s)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

22. Please list any honors you have received in or out of school: \_\_\_\_\_

23. Briefly describe the area of law you are interested in pursuing: \_\_\_\_\_

**BAR EXAMINATION PREPARATION**

24. Have you registered to take the July 2018 or February 2019 California Bar Examination? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please specify which one: \_\_\_\_\_

25. Have you signed up for a bar review course? If so, which one? \_\_\_\_\_. How much have you paid or committed to pay for the course and when is it due? \$\_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Please tell the Scholarship Committee about yourself in a Personal Statement, which should not exceed 500 words. Be sure to indicate your career goals, including where you would like to work after law school: private practice (large, medium, solo firm); government practice (prosecutor, public defender, other); non-profit (specify type); business (specify type); or other (specify). Be sure also to describe any hardships you have overcome. The personal statement must be typed and attached to this application.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact our Scholarship Committee at [mabfscholarships@gmail.com](mailto:mabfscholarships@gmail.com).

**CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the above information and all documents attached hereto are true and accurate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**COMMITMENT**

**I recognize that financial resources to assist students attending law school are limited. THEREFORE, I AGREE that, when I become financially able, I will make a good faith effort to support the goals of the Mexican American Bar Foundation by making financial contribution(s) to ease the burden on future Latino law students.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Email ONLY to: [mabfscholarships@gmail.com](mailto:mabfscholarships@gmail.com)

**CHECKLIST: ARE THESE ITEMS ATTACHED/INCLUDED?**

- Transcript \_\_\_\_\_
- Personal Statement \_\_\_\_\_
- Copy of completed federal financial aid form (or other financial aid form) \_\_\_\_\_
- Certification signature \_\_\_\_\_
- Commitment signature \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE:**  
**APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY EMAIL**  
**NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018**  
**NO HARD COPY, HAND-DELIVERED OR IN-PERSON SUBMISSIONS**  
**WILL BE ACCEPTED**