NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION

Gateway to Success IX: Scholarship Award
Scholarship Award Objectives
The “NBA Gateway to Success Scholarship Award” helps to fulfill the National Bar Association’s (“NBA”) mission of strengthening the pipeline for minority law students. Further, the award encourages involvement in the NBA through student support and collaboration. Additionally, this scholarship serves to facilitate and encourage minorities to enter the legal profession by assisting minority students to meet the challenges and financial burdens of college and law school. Therefore, the NBA has partnered with several minority organizations, including the National Black Law Students Association (NBLSA) to identify deserving candidates to receive the NBA Corporate Law Section Gateway to Success Scholarship Award (hereinafter “Scholarship Award”). This year there will be a total of six Scholarship Awards given to deserving African American applicants, including three undergraduate students who intend to apply and attend law school and three current law school students attending law school.

Scholarship Criteria and Eligibility
The Scholarships will be awarded nationally to six African American diverse students including two undergraduate students who intend to apply and attend law school and three current law school students attending law school in the following manner: 1) two scholarships to undergraduate students of any major and 2) three scholarships to current law school students. The scholarship recipients will be considered based on their economic need, involvement in the community and diversity related student organizations, leadership abilities and academic achievement. Selection criteria will include: financial need, merit, and scholastic performance. Consideration will also be given to extracurricular activities both inside and outside law school.

Applications may also be obtained through the NBLSA Chair, NBA office or by sending an e-mail or calling the number below:

NBA Gateway to Success Scholarship Award 2020
LaShawnda K. Jackson, Gateway Committee Scholarship Chair
ljackson@rumberger.com
(407) 872-7300 ext. 2127
NBA GATEWAY TO SUCCESS SCHOLARSHIP AWARD 2020

This application should be completed and returned to the NBA Gateway Committee Scholarship Chair, in .pdf format via e-mail only to LaShawnda K. Jackson, ljackson@rumberger.com. Applications must be emailed no later than February 20, 2020. Incomplete application packets and or applications emailed after the deadline will not be considered. This scholarship recipients will be announced on Friday, March 20, 2020, during the NBA Gateway to Success Diversity Conference in Atlanta, Georgia.

Please print or type in black ink.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

NAME: ____________________________________________

AGE: ___________    D.O.B. ___________    SEX: ___________

MAILING ADDRESS ____________________________________________________

__________________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS: _________________________________

CELL PHONE: _________________________________

ALTERNATEPHONE: ___________________________

MARITAL STATUS: _____ Single       _____ Married

NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS: _____

II. LAW SCHOOL/COLLEGE INFORMATION

LAW SCHOOL/COLLEGE NAME: ________________________________

CLASSIFICATION (i.e. First, Second, Third year, freshman, soph., jun.): ________

GPA: (cumulative) ________

CLASS RANKING: ________

EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE: __________
III. REQUIRED INFORMATION AND ESSAY

Please attach (1) at least two letters of recommendation prepared for the NBA Gateway to Success Scholarship Award; (2) Certified Undergraduate Transcript and (3) prepare a two-page typewritten essay to the following question:

1. Why do you want to be a lawyer? As a future, leader in the legal profession, what positive impact do you feel you can make to improve the image of the legal profession and the National Bar Association?

IV. EMPLOYMENT AND FINANCIAL STATUS

Please provide an employment record for the past two (2) years.

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Parents/Spouse’s Employer:
__________________________________________________________________________________

Address:___________________________________________________________________________

Position:_______________________________________Salary:$_____________________________

Last Year’s Annual Income: $____________________________

Last Year’s Expenses: $ ______________________
(including parents/spouse)

Current Income: $ _______________________

Present/Anticipated Expenses for 12 months: (please itemize):
__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

% Education Personally Financed: ________ % Living Expenses Personally Financed: ________

Financial Support Expected from Other Sources for 12 months: ____________________________
Amount $ ___________
(Please list sources of financial awards, grants, fellowships, scholarships, gifts, and contributions that you currently receive or anticipate receiving, you may add another page if necessary)

Are you or do you anticipate living with your parents while enrolled in law school/college?  ___ NO ___ YES

Military Experience: _____ NO _____ YES  If yes, please complete the following:
Branch: _______________________________ Dates of Service: _____________________________

Are You Eligible for G.I. Bill Assistance? ________ Amount$ _________________________

**AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT:** I have reviewed the information listed in this application for omission and errors. To the best of my knowledge the information is complete and accurate as reported. I understand that the NBA reserves the right to investigate all information in this application.

Applicant’s Signature: ___________________________________________ Date:________________________