SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Intellectual Property Law Section of the State Bar of Texas will award two $5,000 scholarships to eligible law students. Any student enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school in Texas during any part of the application submission period may apply. Students who have been accepted to law school but have not yet started classes at the time the application is filed are not eligible. Students who have graduated at the time the scholarship is awarded are eligible.

The purpose of the scholarships is to encourage law students who have not traditionally been represented in the Intellectual Property practice to enter the Intellectual Property profession in Texas by providing financial assistance to help defray the expenses of a law-school education. Selection criteria for the scholarships include but are not limited to:

- Scholastic merit;
- Financial need;
- Membership in a socio-economic group traditionally under-represented in the practice;
- Demonstrated experience and interest in the practice;
- Texas roots;
- First generation in a family to go to college or law school;
- Science and engineering undergraduate education or experience;
- Contributions to or participation in minority or diversity programs;
- Disabilities;
- Community service; and
- Extracurricular activities both inside and outside law school, including legal externships or internships in the field of Intellectual Property.

This application should be completed and returned either by (1) mail to the IP Section’s Diversity Scholarship Committee, c/o Chris Joe, Buether Joe & Carpenter, LLC, 1700 Pacific, Suite 4750, Dallas, TX 75201 or (2) email to Chris Joe at Chris.Joe@BJCIPLaw.com (entire applications only (e.g., applications including the recommendations, essays, and transcripts)).

Applications must be postmarked or time stamped by no later than June 15, 2018. The scholarships will be awarded this summer, and the recipients will be recognized at an IP Section event or at the IP Section’s next Annual Meeting.

Please print or type in black ink.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

NAME: __________________________________________________________________________

GENDER: _______________________

MAILING ADDRESS: ______________________________________________________________
HOME PHONE: __________________    CELL PHONE: ________________________________

II.   EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

LAW SCHOOL NAME: ______________________________________________________________

GPA: ____________________   EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE: _________________________

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES (Colleges, Degrees, Dates): _________________________________

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GRADUATE DEGREES (Colleges, Degrees, Dates): ________________________________________

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Please attach a copy of all college, graduate school “if any) and law school transcripts. If your law school transcript does not yet include your grades for the Spring Semester, please separately provide information on all grades you have received to date and supplement with remaining grades as soon as possible after you receive them.

III.   RECOMMENDATIONS AND ESSAY

Please attach at least two letters of recommendation and a typewritten essay of no more than two pages addressing the following:

• Why you plan to pursue a career in Intellectual Property Law in Texas;
• Any issues of financial need that you would like the Scholarship Committee to consider; and
• Any additional information that you believe is relevant to the award of the scholarship, including any information related to the specific selection criteria above.

AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT: I have reviewed the information listed in this application for accuracy, omissions, and errors. To the best of my knowledge the information is complete and accurate as reported. I understand that the IP Section’s Diversity Scholarship Committee reserves the right to investigate all information stated in this application.

Applicant’s Signature: ______________________________     Date: _____________________________