

# **BAY AREA LATINO LAWYERS FUND**

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To: Bay Area Law Students  
Office of Career Services  
Community Organizations

From: Franchesca C. Herrera, Scholarship Committee Chair

Re: The 2012 San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association Public Interest Bar Review Scholarship

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Please provide copies of the enclosed application and the following guidelines to interested students.

The SFLRLA Public Interest Bar Review Scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to law graduates who intend to pursue a career working with Bay Area community-based legal service providers to enhance the delivery of legal services to the Latino community. The Bay Area Latino Lawyers Fund awards this scholarship annually to graduates intending to work in areas where there is a substantial Latino population in need of legal services. The scholarship committee will give priority to scholarship applicants whose post-graduation employment will meet at least one of the following objectives:

- a. Develop or expand legal services in the areas of housing, education, employment, discrimination, immigration and naturalization.
- b. Develop materials and training to educate the Latino community about its legal rights and to facilitate its access to the justice system and the courts.
- c. Provide training, referral, recruitment and mentoring to law students.

Creative projects consistent with these guidelines, although not specified above, will be considered.

## **AWARD**

One scholarship will be awarded to finance a bar review course for a current third-year law student who has committed to working for a Bay Area organization serving the Latino community consistent with the scholarship criteria described above after the completion of the bar exam.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINE**

Law students should submit the enclosed application form, a current resume, and any letters of recommendation postmarked or emailed **no later than May 1, 2012**. Personal interviews will be conducted during May 2012. Scholarship winners will be announced at San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association's Annual Summer Associate Reception in July 2012.

## **QUESTIONS**

Please contact Franchesca Herrera at [franchesca@gmail.com](mailto:franchesca@gmail.com) or (415) 902-0968, or contact Sigrid Irias at [sigrid.iriass@gdwicklaw.com](mailto:sigrid.iriass@gdwicklaw.com) or (415)627-1488 / (415)341-3710.

**The Bay Area Latino Lawyers Fund's  
2012 SAN FRANCISCO LA RAZA LAWYERS ASSOCIATION  
BAR REVIEW SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION FORM**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Law School \_\_\_\_\_

2. Community-based legal services provider where you plan to work:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Program Director/Supervisor (if available) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email (if available) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Provide a narrative describing your background, qualifications, your post-graduate plans (including the work you intend to do, the population to be served, and your objectives). The narrative should clearly describe what you believe actively demonstrates your interest in serving underrepresented communities.

5. Provide a statement of your financial need. As we receive many applications, the statement of financial need should describe why your financial circumstances in particular support your request for this bar review scholarship.

6. Attach a letter of recommendation from your anticipated supervisor at the community-based legal services provider where you plan to work. You may include additional letters of recommendation (*optional*).

7. Include a copy of your current resume.

Attach all application materials to this application and sign and date before submitting.

*I certify that all statements I have made in this application and supporting materials are true and correct, and that the descriptions provided in response to questions 4 and 5 were written by me.*

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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Signature

**SCHEDULE:** Applications for the bar review scholarship must be emailed or postmarked by **May 1, 2012.**

Personal Interviews will be conducted during **May 2012.**

Scholarship Awardees will be announced at the San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association's Annual Summer Associate Reception in **JULY 2012.**

**Submit by May 1, 2012.**

By U.S. mail, with a May 1, 2012 postmark, to:  
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Attn: 2012 SFLRLA Bar Review Scholarship  
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Or submit by e-mail to: [franchesca@gmail.com](mailto:franchesca@gmail.com) with a copy to [sigrid.iriass@sedgwicklaw.com](mailto:sigrid.iriass@sedgwicklaw.com)