

# Serbian Bar Association of America Scholarship Foundation

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To: Law School Office of Career Placement and Financial Aid

From: Serbian Bar Association of America

Date: August 3, 2012

To Whom It May Concern,

I write on behalf of the Serbian Bar Association of America ("SBAA") in order to introduce our organization to your law school and students, and to make them aware of upcoming scholarship opportunities.

#### **SBAA MISSION AND PURPOSE**

The SBAA is an organization of Serbian American attorneys, judges, paralegals and law students that has been in existence for nearly twenty years. The purposes and the mission of the SBAA are as follows:

- To use the knowledge, experience and skills of our profession to provide resource assistance to, and promote the best interests of, the Serbian American community, including the Serbian Orthodox Church, our national organizations and our humanitarian organizations;
- To be a vehicle for making unified public pronouncements to represent and advocate the vital interests of the Serbian American community as a whole with respect to current social, political, economic, legal and other matters of vital concern;
- To serve as a national network of communication among members of the Serbian American legal community for purposes of networking, exchange of ideas, client referrals and career placement opportunities;
- To provide scholarship assistance to law students of Serbian descent;
- To maintain the honor and dignity of the legal profession and a high standard of ethical conduct.

In addition, the SBAA represents a valuable asset to Serbian American law students by offering them the opportunity to network with the greater Serbian American legal community and affording them career placement opportunities.

## **2012 SCHOLARSHIPS**

The SBAA is hosting a scholarship gala on Saturday, November 17, 2012, at the Park Ridge Country Club in Park Ridge, Illinois. Five scholarships will be awarded; one in the amount of \$2,500, two in the amount of \$2,000, one in the amount of \$1,000 and one in the amount of \$500.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

All persons of Serbian birth, ancestry, or connubial relationship who are enrolled in an accredited law school in any state of the United States of America are eligible to apply for the scholarships.

## **SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

The deadline for receipt of applications is October 15, 2012.

Scholarship recipients will be notified in advance, and the scholarships will be awarded at the scholarship gala on November 17, 2012.

Applications are enclosed herewith and available online at: www.serbbar.org.

Applications may be submitted by mail or e-mail (e-mail is preferred) to:

Serbian Bar Association of America Attention: Marnie Navarro Walker Wilcox Matousek LLP 1 N. Franklin Street, Suite 3200 Chicago, IL 60606

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Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding our organization or scholarship opportunities.

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