

**APPLICATION FOR  
ILLINOIS JUDGES FOUNDATION  
HAROLD SULLIVAN  
SCHOLARSHIP 2022**

**BACKGROUND**

The Illinois Judges Foundation awards the Harold Sullivan Scholarship to two or more eligible students attending an Illinois law school. The scholarship award is at least \$2,500.00, and up to \$5,000.00. The scholarship monies are paid by the IJF to the winning students' law school(s) to cover future tuition and related costs. Some law schools may award matching funds, thus increasing the value of a scholarship award. Please check with your law school to determine the amount of matching funds, if any, it will provide.

**ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Does not have a close relative who is a judge;
- Currently enrolled in an Illinois law school, with at least one academic year of law school left to complete (incoming 1Ls not eligible);
- Has community service or *pro bono* experience;
- Has financial need.

Applications, including essays, for the Harold Sullivan Scholarship must be received by 3:00 p.m. Central Time on July 1, 2022. All materials must be sent by e-mail to [scholarship.ijf@gmail.com](mailto:scholarship.ijf@gmail.com).

Letters of recommendation are not accepted, nor are personal or professional references.

**GENERAL INFORMATION** (Please type or print legibly.)

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_ May, 2023 \_\_\_ May, 2024 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

LAW SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOLARSHIP SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

Identify any college or university from which you graduated, the year, and the degree received:

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Do you have a relative who is currently a judge? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

If YES, give name, relationship, location, title and current assignment of relative:

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Your responses to the following prompts must be attached to the email along with the completed Application form. Responses must be typewritten, double-spaced, 12-point font, with one-inch margins.

1. In a separate document, in pdf or docx format, please explain your financial need in detail. Relevant information includes a description of your awarded financial aid, scholarship/s, grant/s, your income from employment, your familial support, your unmet financial need, and any extenuating financial circumstances.

2. In a separate document, in pdf or docx format, please describe any community service or *pro bono* work you have done.

3. In a separate document in, pdf or docx format, please discuss the following issue in 750-1500 words (not including citations):

Plaintiff Penny Pursuer has filed a personal injury action against Defendant Bill Meenot, arising out of an automobile accident that occurred in January 2021.

Plaintiff Penny claims she is permanently disabled and can no longer work as a waiter or participate in her pre-accident leisure activities, including yoga and rock climbing.

At trial, Defendant Bill seeks to introduce a video that he will testify he discovered on You Tube. The video was posted by "Pete the Pursuer" in July, 2021. Penny's husband is named Peter Pursuer. Peter has not been identified as a trial witness by either side.

In the video, Penny is seen exiting from the back door of her home. She sprints up a ladder to a diving board, and executes a triple somersault before plunging into the swimming pool. When she emerges from the water with her arms raised above her head, she gleefully exclaims, "Life is good!"

Penny objects to the admission of the video, arguing (1) that her statement on the video constitutes inadmissible hearsay under Illinois Rule of Evidence 802; and (2) that Defendant Bill cannot meet the requirement of authentication of the video under Illinois Rule of Evidence 901.

Discuss whether the video should be admitted, with citations to the Illinois Rules of Evidence and/or relevant Illinois case law.

### **PUBLICATION AGREEMENT**

I hereby grant the Illinois Judges Foundation the royalty-free, non-exclusive right to publish this essay, or any modification of this essay, in any form of publication. I am the sole owner of any copyrights to this essay and I will retain all rights to reproduce, distribute, or display this essay along with all other rights, privileges, and remedies granted or reserved to a holder of a United States copyright.

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I hereby grant permission to the Illinois Judges Foundation to use photographs or videos of me taken during the Harold Sullivan Scholarship award event for use in media stories, publications, websites, reports to sponsors, and any other matter related to the Illinois Judges Foundation.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby acknowledge that I have read this agreement and agree to be bound by each and every term herein.

I do hereby swear or affirm that the information contained herein is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

I hereby acknowledge that the essay submitted with this application is my sole, exclusive and original work.

I am fully aware that any intentional falsification of information contained herein may result in the denial of the application or loss of any aid received.

I realize that this award may be revoked if I fail to meet the designated qualifications.

I understand that I must continue to meet the designated qualifications.

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_