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Omaha Legal Professionals Association

Enclosed are application forms for the Omaha Legal Professionals Association, ("OLPA") Scholarships and the Nebraska Legal Professionals Association, ("NLPA") Scholarships.

OLPA awards a \$1,000.00 Scholarship to the First-Place winner selected from qualified college-level applicants. OLPA is also awarding a \$500.00 Scholarship to the First-Place winner selected from qualified high school applicants. The NLPA does not distinguish between high school and college applicants, and is awarding \$1,250.00 to the First-Place winner and \$750.00 to the Second-Place winner. Please feel free to photocopy as many application forms as your students need.

The OLPA applications are to be postmarked on or before March 17, 2017. NLPA applications are to be postmarked on or before March 31, 2017. Please refer to the enclosed information for additional requirements.

Sincerely,
Donna Birkby, Lynda Jensen-Hansen and Dave Raddatz
OLPA Scholarship Co-Chairpersons

OMAHA LEGAL PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION 2017 OLPA SCHOLARSHIP

Applications must be postmarked on or before March 17, 2017

The Omaha Legal Professionals Association will award a **\$1,000.00 Scholarship** to the First-Place winner of **college-level** applicants and a **\$500.00 Scholarship** to the First-Place winner of **high school** applicants. Qualified applicants must be pursuing studies of a legal nature, enrolled full-time in a paralegal, legal secretarial, criminal justice, or any law-related undergraduate program.

The scholarship(s) are awarded on a basis of:

- **Scholastic achievement (a grade point average of 2.5 or above)**
- **Involvement in school and/or community**
- **The intention to pursue a career in the legal field**
- **Applicant's Statement**

Address Applications for Omaha Legal Professionals Association Scholarship(s) to:
Lynda Jensen-Hansen, OLPA Scholarship Co-Chairperson
2243 Lincoln Street, Blair NE 68008-1839
(402) 253-9354 Email: ljensenhansen@buhler.com (Questions Only)

OMAHA LEGAL PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION 2017 SCHOLARSHIP

CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE FORM

(This form is to be completed by an appropriate supervisor, employer, or faculty member.)

APPLICANT NAME _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE _____ ON A 4.0 SCALE

EVALUATION

(Check appropriate box)

	<u>Superior</u>	<u>Above Average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Poor</u>
Ability to reason and to work independently in solving problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Initiative and resourcefulness in doing work assignments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accuracy in carrying out details of instructions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to get along with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

General Comments (may attach letter of recommendation): _____

Signature of employer, supervisor or faculty member: _____

Title/position: _____ Date: _____

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2017 Scholarship Application – College Level

Deadline: Postmarked on or before March 17, 2017

The Omaha Legal Professionals Association is a Chapter of the statewide Nebraska Legal Professionals Association. Its members share a common interest in promoting continuing professionalism in the legal field. The 2017 OLPA scholarship(s) will be awarded at the Omaha Legal Professional Association's Annual Banquet on April 19, 2017.

The **Omaha Legal Professionals Association** offers a **\$1,000.00 Scholarship** to the First-Place winner selected from qualified college-level applicants who are pursuing studies of a legal nature leading to a career in a law-related field.

The scholarship is awarded on the basis of:

- **Scholastic achievement (a grade point average of 2.5 or above)**
- **Involvement in school and/or community**
- **The intention to pursue a career in the legal field**
- **Applicant's Personal Statement stating why he/she wishes to pursue an education in a legal field.**

All applicants must be enrolled full-time in paralegal, legal secretarial, criminal justice or any law-related undergraduate program. A check for \$500.00 will be issued to the institution each semester after verifying the student is full-time and taking the required classes. If the First-Place winner, for any reason, withdraws from school or does not meet the class criteria mentioned above, OLPA will forward the First-Place scholarship award to the Second-Place winner.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Name: _____
 Last First MI (Nickname)

Street: _____

City: _____, NE ZIP: _____

Your telephone number: _____ Your Email address: _____

The School you plan to attend (school name and address): _____

High School last attended: _____

Location: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ Class Ranking: _____/_____

GPA: _____ on a 4.0 scale ACT Score (if available): _____

Please attach:

1. A **Certified copy** of your latest transcript must be mailed in a sealed envelope, under separate cover by your school to the Scholarship Co-Chairperson below;
2. A resume covering your education history, school and community activities, and your work history (if any, part-time and/or full-time);
3. A one-page personal statement stating why you wish to pursue or continue an education in a legal field;
4. A copy of your acceptance to the school of your choice; and
5. Confidential Reference Form

Submit: **VIA U.S. Mail** to: Lynda Jensen-Hansen, Scholarship Co-Chairperson,
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