



Law Student Pro Bono Award



This award honors the dedication and motivation of a law student or recent graduate who has significantly enhanced the delivery of quality legal services to poor Texans and underserved communities.

Nomination Criteria



Created by the Texas Access to Justice Commission, the Law Student Pro Bono Award is open to all law students currently enrolled at or graduating from an accredited Texas law school or graduates who graduated from an accredited law school within the last six months. The award recipient will receive a \$2,000 stipend and be recognized at the New Lawyer Induction Ceremony in November.

Eligible law students or recent graduates may be nominated by a law school dean, clinic professor, legal services supervisor, or they may nominate themselves by submitting a nomination form to the Texas Access to Justice Commission. Each school may have multiple nominees. Completed nomination forms may be faxed to 512-427-4160, emailed to atjmail@texasbar.com, or mailed to P. O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711-2487.

Nominations must be received by 5:00 pm, Friday, October 6, 2017

Additional materials such as letters of recommendation or news articles may be included with a nomination. Please limit each nomination to six pages, including supporting materials.

The **Nomination Form** must contain the following information:

1. **Nominee information:** Name, address, phone number and email address of the nominee, law school and year in law school or date of graduation;
2. **Nominating individual's information:** Name, position title, organization, address, phone number and email address of the nominating individual; and
3. **Synopsis:** A one page summary describing why the nominee should receive the Law Student Pro Bono Award.

The one page synopsis should clearly identify the services and accomplishments of the nominee in the area of pro bono legal services that benefit low-income Texans as well as the nominee's qualifications for this award. The award recipient will be a student or recent graduate whose pro bono work has made a significant impact on the community and reflects the following characteristics:

- ✓ A passion for advocating for underserved populations, demonstrated by work for that population during law school or intent to practice law on behalf of that population after graduation;
- ✓ Substantial performance of legal pro bono service (as opposed to general public service); and
- ✓ Involvement in public service-oriented law student groups.

The selection committee will review all submitted materials and may consider clinical course work or summer activities in evaluating nominees to determine the award recipient.

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Nomination Form

On behalf of the Texas Access to Justice Commission, the selection committee seeks nominations from the law school and legal services community to recognize a law student or a recent graduate of six months or less, who has provided outstanding pro bono service for poor Texans. Please review the award criteria and nominate a law student currently enrolled at or graduating from an accredited Texas law school or a recent graduate who graduated from an accredited law school within the last six months who you believe is deserving of such recognition. The award recipient will receive a \$2,000 stipend and be recognized by the Supreme Court of Texas at the annual New Lawyer Induction Ceremony in November. The best nominee from each law school also will be recognized at the ceremony.

Nominee Information



Law Student Name:

Address:

Email Address:

Phone:

Law School Name:

Law School Year/Graduation Date:

Nominating Individual's Information



Individual's Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Email Address:

Phone:

A one page synopsis describing nominee's qualifications must be attached to the nomination form. See nomination criteria for description of the synopsis. Additional supporting materials may be included with a nomination. Please limit each nomination to six pages total.

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