



2011-2012 LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Since MALDEF's founding, the civil rights organization has awarded scholarships to students who will further MALDEF's mission of advancing the civil rights of the Latino community in the United States. In recent years, MALDEF has annually awarded 5-10 scholarships of \$5,000.

MALDEF's Law School Scholarship Program is open to *all* law students who will be enrolled at an accredited United States law school in 2011-2012. Applicants are evaluated for their academic and extracurricular achievements, for their background and financial need, and, most importantly, for their demonstrated commitment to advancing Latino civil rights in their careers.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. **MALDEF Law School Scholarship Application Form**, including the **Financial Statement Form** completed by the Applicant's law school.
2. Current **Resume**.
3. **Personal Statement** of 750 words or less, double-spaced, detailing Applicant's academic and extracurricular achievements, background and financial need, record of service to the Latino community, and goals in law.
4. **One (1) Letter of Recommendation** that highlights Applicant's academic and extracurricular achievements, background and financial need, record of service to the Latino community, and goals in law.
5. **Transcripts** for college (for all Applicants) and law school (for Applicants who have already completed a year of law school). Unofficial transcripts accepted.

PLEASE DELIVER ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS TOGETHER IN HARD COPY TO:

MALDEF Law School Scholarship Program
634 S. Spring St., 11th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90014

APPLICATIONS MUST BE **POSTMARKED** BY MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2012.

GOOD LUCK!



**2011-2012 LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION FORM**

Instructions: Please answer each question completely and accurately. If a question is not applicable, please indicate this by writing "N/A". Where necessary, use additional pages to complete your answers.

1. APPLICANT'S CONTACT INFORMATION.

Last Name		First Name		Middle
Address for Scholarship Notification		City	State	Zip Code
Email Address			Telephone	

2. EDUCATION.

Law School you are attending or expect to attend: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Undergraduate School(s): _____

Degree(s): _____

Year of Graduation(s): _____

Other Graduate School(s): _____

Degree(s): _____

Year of Graduation(s): _____

3. BACKGROUND INCOME INFORMATION.

Have you previously received the MALDEF Law School Scholarship? _____

Your occupation / annual income prior to law school: _____

Mother's occupation / annual income: _____

Father's occupation / annual income: _____

Dependents, whether in whole or in part: _____

4. ASSETS. List all assets you (combined with your spouse or domestic partner) currently hold:

Estimated cash on hand and other investments: _____

Real estate (fair market value minus mortgage): _____

Other assets: _____

5. DEBT. List all your (combined with your spouse or domestic partner) outstanding debts:

PURPOSE	LENDER NAME	GOV'T OR PRIVATE	AMOUNT OF DEBT

TOTAL: \$ _____

6. OTHER. Please discuss any additional facts or circumstances that you think might be useful in our evaluation of your application.

7. CONFIDENTIALITY.

MALDEF respects the privacy of all Applicants and will treat all information contained in and submitted along with this MALDEF Law School Scholarship Application Form as confidential, except as may be required to evaluate and verify information contained in an application. However, in the event you are selected to receive a MALDEF Law School Scholarship, MALDEF may utilize general information about your background and/or a photo as provided by you to publicize your receipt of a scholarship and/or the MALDEF Law School Scholarship Program generally. Please note that MALDEF will never inquire into or disclose information about the residency status of any of our applicants. By signing below, you are indicating your agreement with these terms, including your waiver of confidentiality as described here should you be selected as a scholarship recipient.

I understand and agree to the terms of this provision, including waiver of confidentiality as described here should I be selected to receive the MALDEF Law School Scholarship, and grant free permission to MALDEF to utilize general information about my background and/or a photo provided by me to publicize my receipt of a scholarship and/or the MALDEF Law School Scholarship Program generally.

Signature of Applicant

Date

8. CERTIFICATION.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained in my application and all documents submitted along with my application are true and accurate representations of my background and candidacy for this scholarship.

Signature of Applicant

Date



**LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FORM**

**(To be completed by the MALDEF Law School Scholarship Applicant's Law School
Financial Aid Office)**

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

STUDENT'S EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE: _____

STUDENT BUDGET FOR THE 2011—2012 SCHOOL YEAR: \$ _____

TOTAL LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP/GRANTS OFFERED: \$ _____

TOTAL LOANS OFFERED: \$ _____

STUDENT'S UNMET FINANCIAL NEED: \$ _____

Law School Financial Aid Officer's Signature

Printed Name

Law School Financial Aid Officer's Title

Name of Law School

Please return to Applicant for submission or send directly to:

**MALDEF Law School Scholarship Program
634 South Spring St., 11th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90014**

Must be postmarked by Monday, January 2, 2012 – Thank you!