La Raza Law Students Association Presents

2015
JEANETTE LEACH DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP
2015 Jeanette Leach Diversity Scholarship Application

The La Raza Law Students Association strives to promote diversity. On campus, La Raza aims to recruit, support, and graduate a diverse student body. It believes that an inclusive environment enriches Santa Clara University and the legal community at large. Off campus, La Raza makes positive contributions to diversity through community service events.

For 25 years, one person has fought alongside La Raza to foster diversity at Santa Clara University School of Law. Jeanette Leach served as the Assistant Dean for Law Diversity Programs. She was responsible for the design and implementation of programs and initiatives that increase minority student matriculation and retention. Her professional network helped Santa Clara Law attract community leaders and lawyers to campus events.

Unofficially, Ms. Leach served as a mentor, role model, and friend. Her door was always open to students and she made every effort to help them overcome personal and academic issues. Ms. Leach’s guidance and advising made her invaluable to Santa Clara Law.

To pay homage to Jeanette Leach and her efforts to promote diversity, La Raza Law Students Association is offering a scholarship to one deserving student. A $350 scholarship will be awarded to a student who has dedicated himself or herself to sponsoring diversity in the legal community. The winner will be announced at the 2015 La Raza Banquet. All first, second, third, or fourth year law students at Santa Clara University School of Law are eligible to apply. La Raza Law Students Association board members are not eligible.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION IS MARCH 30, 2015 BY 11:59 P.M. AT SCULARAZA@GMAIL.COM. APPLICATIONS MUST BE TRANSMITTED ELECTRONICALLY IN “DOC,” “DOCX,” or “PDF” FORMATS.**
APPLICANTS CONTACT INFORMATION

Last Name  First Name  Middle Initial

Address  City  State  Zip Code

Email Address  Telephone

EDUCATION

Year in Law School: _______________________

Enrollment Status: Full Time _____  Part Time _____

Expected Year of Graduation: _______________________

Undergraduate School: ___________________________________________________________

Undergraduate Degree(s): _______________________________________________________

Other Graduate School(s): _______________________________________________________

OTHER

Please discuss any additional facts or circumstances that you think might be useful in evaluating your application

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

1) PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please write a personal statement up to 750 words, double-spaced, detailing the following:

1. Tell us why you believe diversity is important
2. Explain your past and future interest and commitment to promoting diversity in the legal field

2) CURRENT RESUME

CONFIDENTIALITY

La Raza Law Students Association (La Raza) respects the privacy of all applicants and will treat all information contained in and submitted along with this Jeanette Leach Diversity 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 Jeanette Leach Diversity Scholarship, La Raza may utilize general information about your background as provided by you to publicize your receipt of a scholarship and/or the Jeanette Leach Diversity Scholarship generally. Please note that La Raza 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 Jeanette Leach Diversity Scholarship, and grant free permission to La Raza to utilize general information about my background provided by me to publicize my receipt of a scholarship and/or the Jeanette Leach Diversity Scholarship generally.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____________________________ DATE: __________________

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: __________________

Please submit this application and additional documents via email to:  
SCULARAZA@GMAIL.COM.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Monday, March 30, 2015 by 11:59 p.m.