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VIETNAMESE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA 2011 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Who should apply:

The annual VABANC scholarship recognizes students who have demonstrated a commitment to serving the needs of the Vietnamese-American community. The scholarship is intended to provide support to students towards their public interest or social justice goals and is open to all current law students.

What the scholarship entails:

VABANC has historically awarded at least 2 scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 in the past. Priority will be given to those who have demonstrated their commitment to serving the Vietnamese American community, and to those who will be using the scholarship award towards public interest work (either in pursuing post-graduate work or for summer internships/positions).

One \$3,000 scholarship will be awarded in conjunction with the Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom (BALIF) to a law student who demonstrates a commitment to serving the Vietnamese American and LGBT community. Students who wish to be considered for this scholarship should indicate so on his/her application and address that in his/her personal statement.

The scholarship award amount and number of scholarships awarded will be determined once fundraising is completed.

What you will need:

1) A completed application form; 2) a résumé and three references; and 3) a personal statement (no more than 800 words) describing:

- What you see as a pressing concern facing the Vietnamese American community, and how you see yourself contributing to or engaging in such an issue; and/or
- Your contributions to or activism within the Vietnamese American community; **and/or**
- Your experience(s) in overcoming socioeconomic and/or other barriers.

Important things to know*:

- The deadline is **Friday, August 26, 2011 at 12pm.**
- Please e-mail applications to *scholarships@vabanc.org*
- Interviews are in the beginning of September and will be conducted in person.
- For more information, please visit *www.vabanc.org*

* Recipients will be recognized at our Annual Scholarship Dinner on **October 7, 2011** in San Jose, California. Attendance to the Scholarship Dinner is mandatory for all recipients and conditional to the award. Please note that we are *unable* to pay for any expenses, including transportation and lodging, connected with your interview and/or attendance at the Scholarship Dinner.

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2011 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(Please type or print all answers legibly)

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone Number:

Alternate Phone Number:

LAW SCHOOL:

Anticipated Date of Graduation:

Honors and Activities:

Areas of interest (*i.e.* public interest, non-profit, etc.):

COLLEGE:

Degree:

Major:

Graduation Date:

Honors and Activities:

GRADUATE SCHOOL:

Degree:

Major:

Graduation Date:

OTHER INFORMATION:

Other interests:

Languages spoken and fluency level:

Please describe your level of financial need: