If the University of Virginia is your first choice for law school, you may apply under the Early Decision option. Early Decision applicants commit to enroll at the University of Virginia School of Law if admitted under this option. An Early Decision applicant may apply for admission to other law schools on a non-binding basis, but once admitted to the University of Virginia as an Early Decision applicant, the applicant must withdraw all other law school applications and may not initiate any new applications for admission. The University of Virginia reserves the right to provide other law schools with the names of applicants admitted to the University of Virginia under the binding Early Decision Program.

Early Decision applicants must ensure that we have received a completed application by Dec. 15, 2009. A completed Early Decision application includes the signed Early Decision Agreement; the application; any attachments required as part of the application, including the personal statement; the LSAT/LSDAS report; two letters of recommendation; and the $75 application fee. Please note that it can take several days for an application submitted through the LSAC electronic application service to reach us. Early Decision applicants will be notified of their decision no later than 15 days after all the following criteria are met: the application for admission is complete, the early decision agreement has been received and residency status has been determined. Early Decision applicants who are waitlisted are free to maintain applications for admission to other law schools and to initiate new applications, and are not bound to enroll at the University of Virginia if offered admission later in the admissions season as part of the regular decision process.

If you wish to apply as an Early Decision candidate, please complete this form and return it to the University of Virginia School of Law no later than Dec. 15, 2009. Please note that, although this form is included as part of the electronic application materials, it will not be transmitted electronically with your application.

YOU MUST PRINT A COPY OF THIS FORM, SIGN IT, AND MAIL IT TO THE OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS AT THE SCHOOL OF LAW.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS AND UNDERSTAND the policies and practices that apply to Early Decision admission at the University of Virginia School of Law. The University of Virginia is my first choice, and I wish to be considered as an Early Decision candidate. If admitted under Early Decision provisions, I will enroll at the University of Virginia School of Law. I further agree to withdraw all applications for admission to other law schools, and to initiate no new applications to other law schools if admitted under this program.