Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Enclosed you will find an application for the Thomas F. Black, Jr. Memorial Scholarship of the Rhode Island Bar Foundation for academic year 2010-2011. The scholarship is a one year, non-renewable award, for full-time students who are Rhode Island residents who will be entering their first year of law school in September, 2010.

The objective of the Bar Foundation’s Scholarship Program is to support high legal practice standards by providing financial assistance to Rhode Island residents who show promise that they will become outstanding lawyers who will adhere to such standards and who will need such assistance in order to study law at quality law schools.

Scholarship awards shall be exclusively for tuition and related expenses for persons who enroll as full-time students in programs leading to the award of the L.L.B. or J.D. degree offered by law schools located in one of the United States or District of Columbia and accredited by the American Bar Association. Each Scholarship award will be made on the basis of demonstrated financial need, superior academic performance, community and public service, and demonstrated contacts with and commitment to the State of Rhode Island. The Scholarship Committee seeks applications from candidates without regard to race, color, religion, country of ancestral origin, handicap, age, sex, or sexual orientation.

For academic year 2010-2011, two scholarships in the amount of $15,000.00 each will be awarded.

Please complete and return the application form, and a personal statement, along with the information required below to the Rhode Island Bar Foundation, 115 Cedar Street, Providence, RI 02903 so as to arrive by March 19, 2010. The personal statement should convey something about your background, your personal or family situation, why you believe you would be a worthy recipient of the scholarship or any other information you feel would be helpful to the Foundation in considering your application. Also arrange to have the Registrar of your college or university forward a copy of your academic transcript to the Bar Foundation.
Two letters of recommendation are required from persons who know you. One of the letters should be from a school official familiar with your academic record. Identify the persons writing these letters on the application form and request that they forward their letters directly to the Rhode Island Bar Foundation. We recommend that you provide them with addressed, stamped envelopes for that purpose.

Also, in order to complete your application, you must forward to us a copy of the SAR report from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Please keep in mind that applicants have the burden of demonstrating their financial need to our Scholarship Committee. A detailed explanation of the extent to which you can obtain family financial assistance in your first year in law school should be submitted with this application, including current Federal Tax returns for yourself and your parents, along with any other information or documents you believe pertinent. The Committee reserves the right to not consider incomplete applications.

If you have any questions, please call the Rhode Island Bar Foundation office at (401) 421-6541 or email: gcaldwell@ribar.com.

The Rhode Island Bar Foundation welcomes your scholarship application and extends best wishes as you plan to enter law school.

Sincerely Yours,

Ginny Caldwell
Program Director
APPLICATION FOR
THE THOMAS F. BLACK, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP OF
THE RHODE ISLAND BAR FOUNDATION

1. Full Name                   
   (Last) (First) (Middle)  
   (Please be sure that this name is the same on all applications, LSDAS and FAFSA materials)

   Social Security Number ____________________________

   Date of Birth ____________________________

   Place of Birth ____________________________

   Citizenship ____________________________

   Date your RHODE ISLAND Residency began ____________________________

2. Present Mailing Address 
   Street __________________________________________
   City __________________________________________
   State & Zip Code __________________________________________
   Telephone __________________________________________
   Email __________________________________________

3. Permanent Mailing Address  
   (Address where you can be contacted at any time) 
   After what date should we use this address? ____________________________

   Street __________________________________________
   City __________________________________________
   State & Zip Code __________________________________________
   Telephone __________________________________________
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4. List name and location of high schools attended and year of graduation.

5. List all colleges, universities, graduate and professional schools attended on a full-time basis.

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6. List scholastic or academic honors including scholarships, fellowships, prizes, honor societies, etc.
7. List and briefly describe three non-academic activities which have been important to you.

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8. List Law Schools to which you have applied as a full-time student:

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9. Have you completed a FAFSA or other Financial Aid Form: _______________________
    (A copy of the completed report is required)

10. 2009 Annual Income for you and your parents ____________________________
    (please attach copies of yours and your parents' 2009 tax returns)

11. List names and addresses of your parents:

    Father
    Name ________________________________
    Street ______________________________
    City ________________________________
    State/Zip Code ______________________
    Telephone __________________________
    Email ______________________________

    Mother
    Name ________________________________
    Street ______________________________
    City ________________________________
    State/Zip Code ______________________
    Telephone __________________________
    Email ______________________________

12. Were you employed during the academic year as an undergraduate? ______ Positions held ______

    No. of hours per week: Fr. _______ Soph, Yr. _______ Jr. Yr. _______ Sr. Yr. _______ 

13. State your last four positions of full-time employment.

    | Dates | Employer | Position | Reason for Leaving |
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14. Has your academic career been interrupted for one or more terms?

15. In an academic setting, have you been subject to disciplinary sanctions, or are charges pending?

16. Have you been convicted* of a felony?

17. Have you been convicted* of a misdemeanor (except drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbing the peace) within the last five years?

18. Are any charges pending which, if you were to be convicted, would require your answer to either of the two previous questions to be "yes"?

If any answers are "yes", please give details on reverse side of this sheet.

*without the conviction later being vacated

19. List all dates you have taken or will take the LSAT: _______________________

20. Date(s) registered with LSDAS: _______________________

21. Have you ever applied for admission to a Law School in a prior year or ever attended Law School? If so, please explain:

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22. List names of the two people submitting recommendations:

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NOTE: This application and supporting material must be received by March 19, 2010.

After the due date, please inform the Bar Foundation of any supplemental information you receive from Law Schools regarding acceptance and financial aid packages awarded to you.

Send materials to: Rhode Island Bar Foundation, 115 Cedar Street, Providence, RI 02903

Telephone: (401) 421-6541 Email: gcaldwell@ribar.com

If you need additional space, please attach.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided on this application form and in any attached materials is true and complete.

Signature: ______________________ Date ______________

Reminder -- the following items are needed to complete your application:

- Personal Statement
- Official Transcripts
- SAR report from FAFSA
- Copies of yours and your parents' tax returns
- Two letters of recommendation