

Vinson & Elkins



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Diversity and inclusion are core values at Vinson & Elkins. Our success ultimately depends on developing exceptional legal talent, and we are committed to attracting and retaining the finest lawyers from all backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives. To that end, Vinson & Elkins is pleased to continue offering our V&E Scholarships. Each scholarship provides \$10,000, in four \$2,500 installments, paid at the beginning of each year of college for four years, to high school seniors from historically underrepresented groups in the legal profession. The scholarship also provides reimbursement for the LSAT and offers the V&E Scholars the opportunity to be considered for V&E paid summer internships in our Austin, Dallas, or Houston offices during the summers of their undergraduate studies.

Eligibility Requirements:

To be eligible for a Vinson & Elkins Scholarship, students must attend and be in good standing at a high school accredited by the Texas Education Agency. The high school must also be located in the greater Austin, Dallas or Houston areas. Only high school seniors may apply. Eligible students must (i) be a member of a racial/ethnic group which has been historically underrepresented in the legal profession (i.e. Asian, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Multiracial, and Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander), (ii) have a strong high school record, (iii) demonstrate interest in working in a law firm setting, (iv) have a financial need, (v) be in the top 20% of their class, (vi) have a minimum of 1650 SAT combined score or a minimum of 24 ACT score, (vii) have a valid Social Security Number, and (viii) have a US Citizenship or Residency in Houston, Dallas or Austin or surrounding areas for contiguous seven years. Applications are being accepted now through April 1, 2014. A selection panel will evaluate all completed applications and announce the scholarship recipients in May 2014.

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____ Gender (optional): Female Male

Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____ Father's/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Race/Ethnicity (optional): Asian American Indian/Alaskan Native Black/African American Hispanic/Latino
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander Multiracial

Are you a U.S. citizen or otherwise authorized to work in the United States? Yes No
If no, residency in Houston, Austin, Dallas or surrounding areas for seven years? Yes No

Test scores from your most recent test:

SAT: Reading: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Composite: _____
ACT: Composite: _____
Other: Specify: _____

Name and address of high school from which you are graduating: _____

Grade Point Average: _____ Class Ranking: _____ out of _____

Type of diploma expected: Regular Vocational Advanced Advanced with Honors

List positions of leadership you have held and any honors and awards you have received (attach a separate page if necessary).

LIST YOUR MOST RECENT WORK EXPERIENCE – MOST RECENT POSITION FIRST

<u>Employer, City</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Hours Per Week</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>

Names and addresses of colleges and/or universities to which you have applied (in order of preference):

College (1st Choice):

Have you been accepted?	Yes	No	Have not heard
Do you plan to enroll?	Yes	No	Undecided

College (2nd Choice):

Have you been accepted?	Yes	No	Have not heard
Do you plan to enroll?	Yes	No	Undecided

College (3rd Choice):

Have you been accepted?	Yes	No	Have not heard
Do you plan to enroll?	Yes	No	Undecided

List all scholarships, fellowships, loans, assistance from parents, and other sources of money you will receive during the period from September 2014 through May 2015.

Please indicate the amount of money you will receive from each source.

Source of Funds

_____	\$
_____	\$
_____	\$
_____	\$

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Provide information on your projected costs:

	Per Semester	Annually
Tuition	\$	\$
Books, Supplies	\$	\$
Room and Board	\$	\$
Other (travel, misc.)	\$	\$

Will you live at home or with relatives? Yes No

Have you applied to an Office of Student Financial Aid for 2014-2015 academic year? Yes No

Student lives with (circle all that apply): Mother Father Stepmother Stepfather Other* List relationship: _____

Father's/Guardian's occupation: _____ Mother's/Guardian's occupation: _____
 2013 Annual Income: \$ _____ 2013 Annual Income: \$ _____

Application requirements:

- Completed application form
- An essay (1000-1500 words) discussing your career goals. Mention any extracurricular and community activities that demonstrate your interest in pursuing a legal career.
- An official transcript of your high school courses completed to date.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation. These letters must come from a teacher in whose classes you were enrolled within the past year or from a guidance counselor at your school.
- A recent photograph of yourself.
- Copies of applications for financial aid if you checked "YES" on page 1 under the Financial Information section. These are applications to the Office of Student Financial Aid for the 2014-2015 academic year as noted under the Financial Information section.

Completed applications should be submitted in hard copy format to the address below or by email to Kristen Killion at kkillion@velaw.com. Please mail submissions to:

Vinson & Elkins LLP Scholarship Foundation
Attention: Human Resources
1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2300
Houston, TX 77002-6760

Completed applications must be received on or before April 1, 2014.

I certify that the information on this application is true and complete and that the statement attached to this application is my original work. I authorize the university or other institution of higher education I plan to attend to release relevant educational record information to the Vinson & Elkins LLP Scholarship Foundation. I authorize Vinson & Elkins LLP Scholarship Foundation to use my name and other relevant information in press releases and other public informational pieces about the Vinson & Elkins LLP Scholarship Foundation Program.

 Applicant's Signature

 Applicant's Printed Name

 Date

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