



## Just the Beginning Foundation “Reaching Back, Lifting Up”

### Law School Student Scholarship Application

The purpose of the JTBF scholarship is to advance full and equal participation of law students of color and other underrepresented groups. This year, there will be six scholarships of up to \$5,000.00, awarded to one student from each of the six Chicago area law schools. To qualify, applicants must complete and submit the application by the due date and be enrolled in a Chicago area law school for the 2012-2013 school year. **Incomplete applications will not be accepted.** Recipients must be able to attend and help at the JTBF Gala Dinner on Saturday, September 22, 2012 at the Chicago Marriott on Michigan Avenue. **In addition, recipients are expected to volunteer with JTBF and to complete at least one service project with JTBF during 2012-2013.**

| To apply, please return this application to:   |
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| Just The Beginning Foundation<br>Attn: 2012 Scholarship Committee<br>233 South Wacker Drive<br>Suite 6600<br>Chicago, IL 60606 |

Please fill in the following information and return it with your:

- ☐ Essay
- ☐ Law school transcript (or, alternatively, college transcripts for students entering their first year of law school); and
- ☐ Resume (optional).

**Complete applications, including essays and transcripts, must be postmarked on or before:  
May 30, 2012**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **Jessika Osorio** at [josorio@atg.state.il.us](mailto:josorio@atg.state.il.us).  
For more information about JTBF and our programs, please visit [www.jtbf.org](http://www.jtbf.org)

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| <b>NAME &amp; ADDRESS</b> | Name (Last)_____ (First) _____ (Middle)_____   |
|                           | Address _____  |
|                           | City_____ State_____ Zip_____  |
|                           | Home/Mobile Telephone _____  |
|                           | Business Telephone _____   |
|                           | May we contact you at your business number? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

The Just The Beginning Foundation does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion,  
national origin, age, sexual orientation, or disability.

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| EDUCATION                               | College or University _____<br>City _____ State _____<br>Major/Field _____<br>Degree _____ G.P.A. _____  |
| LAW SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND FINANCIAL AID | <p>1. Identify the law school in which you are enrolled or to which you have been accepted along with your expected date (month/year) of graduation. If not available by scholarship deadline, please forward this information under separate cover when available.</p> <p>2. Are you currently receiving financial aid to cover law school expenses? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If yes, (a) list all of your sources of financial aid, including family support, loans and scholarships, and the total amount of financial aid that you receive. If you are not yet enrolled in law school, explain how you intend to pay for your education.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(b) Please provide the name and phone number of the financial aid officer at your school who can verify the loan and scholarship information in your above response.</p> <p>Name _____ Phone Number _____</p> <p>3. Are you or will you be enrolled full-time or part-time? <input type="checkbox"/> Full time <input type="checkbox"/> Part time</p> |
| RESUME                                  | <p>Instead of answering the following questions, you may attach a resume which includes the requested information. If you choose not to attach a resume, please attach your responses separately. Even if you have attached a resume, please respond to questions 6 and 7 on a separate sheet. If you have attached a resume, please mark the box below.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Resume attached</p> <p>1. List your post-high school academic degrees, including the date awarded, and the</p>  |

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|                | <p>awarding institution.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Provide your employment history</li> <li>3. List any awards or honors which you have received, including academic awards and/or community service awards.</li> <li>4. List academic or service organizations to which you belong.</li> <li>5. List other extra-curricular activities or hobbies.</li> <li>6. List any career goals or legal areas of special interest to you.</li> <li>7. Is there anything else the committee should know?</li> </ol>  |
| ESSAY QUESTION | <p><b>Just The Beginning Foundation's Mission Statement:</b> Just The Beginning Foundation is a multiracial, nonprofit organization comprised of lawyers, judges, and other citizens. It is dedicated to developing and nurturing interest in the law among young persons from various ethnic backgrounds underrepresented in the legal profession and supporting their continued advancement. JTBF's long-term goal is to increase racial diversity in the legal profession and on the bench. To learn more about JTBF and its programs, visit <a href="http://www.jtbf.org">www.jtbf.org</a>.</p> <p>Please respond to the following question in 750 words or less:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How will you further the mission of Just The Beginning Foundation in your legal career?</li> </ul> <p>Responses are limited to two double-spaced pages in 12-point font. Essays should be a product of your own ideas. You may rely on information found on JTBF's website. Essays will be evaluated for quality of writing and clarity of thought.</p> |
| SIGNATURE      | <p>I hereby certify that all information included in this application is true and accurate.</p> <p>Signature _____ Date_____</p>   |