



**ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH FLORIDA  
THE MEENU SASSER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

**2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Eligibility:** Eligibility is limited to law students who are (1) currently enrolled at an accredited law school in Florida in full-time or part-time programs at the time of application and award; and (2) a current law student member of APABA South Florida. Preference will be given to candidates who intend to practice law in the South Florida area and become active members of APABA South Florida. Scholarship applicant finalists must participate in a virtual interview session as part of the application process. One scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 may be awarded each calendar year. The scholarship recipient must present a five-minute overview about the work the scholarship enabled him/her/them to do at the annual APABA South Florida installation gala in the fall.

**Application and Attachments:** Please provide truthful and detailed answers to the application questions and in the required attachments. APABA South Florida will maintain all information received from and about applicants in confidence.

**Selection Criteria:** In addition to the applicant's answers to the application questions and the requested documentation, APABA South Florida will consider financial need, community service, academic achievement, information gleaned from the applicant's recommenders, and purpose for which the scholarship is sought.

**Instructions:** Please email the completed application with the required documents in **one** email with **one** omnibus PDF attachment to [apabasouthflorida@gmail.com](mailto:apabasouthflorida@gmail.com) with the subject line: "The Meenu Sasser Family Scholarship – [First Name] [Last Name] Application." Applications must be typed. Completed applications and all related documents must be received by **5 p.m. EST on Friday, May 28, 2021**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Applicants who are selected for interviews will be contacted directly.

**Questions:** If you have any questions, please email [apabasouthflorida@gmail.com](mailto:apabasouthflorida@gmail.com).

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1. **Full Name** (including preferred pronouns):
2. **Mailing Address:**
3. **Cellular Number:**
4. **Email Address:**
5. **Current employer (if any):**
  - Name
  - Address
  - Title
  - Gross wages per month, per week, or per hour
6. **Which state bar exam(s) do you intend to sit for?**
7. **Please ensure the following documents are merged into one PDF document and submitted in the same email to [apabasouthflorida@gmail.com](mailto:apabasouthflorida@gmail.com) by the deadline:**
  - a. Current official or unofficial law school transcript;
  - b. 2020-2021 Financial Aid Award Letter from your law school that summarizes any federal or private loans, scholarships, or need-based aid that you will be receiving for that academic year. If your law school does not provide a Financial Aid Award Letter, please submit other documentation (e.g. from a private lender or organizations offering aid or scholarships);
  - c. Current resume, including law school activities and GPA, undergraduate activities and GPA, and all employment and volunteer experience;
  - d. Personal Statement (see detailed instructions below);
  - e. Statement of Intent (see detailed instructions below);
  - f. Statement of Interest (see detailed instructions below); and
  - g. List of References – please provide two or three individuals who can speak to your academic, professional, and personal accomplishments and virtues, including phone number and email address for each reference.
8. **Personal Statement.** In an essay that does not exceed 500 words, please tell us about your background, your extracurricular activities within the legal community, why you have chosen a legal career, and what you hope to contribute to the profession.
9. **Statement of Intent.** In an essay that does not exceed 500 words, please describe (1) how you intend to use the \$1,000.00 scholarship in a way that will reflect the

values that Judge Sasser embodied in her career and life, and (2) your career aspirations.

**10. Statement of Interest.** In an essay that does not exceed 500 words, please discuss (1) the work you've done so far to promote the goals contained in APABA South Florida's mission statement ([www.apabasfla.org](http://www.apabasfla.org)), (2) your commitment to advancing the greater Asian American Pacific Islander community, (3) your connection to the South Florida area, if any, including an intention to practice in the area, and (4) any other community service you've engaged in.

**Verification Acknowledgement**

By submitting this scholarship application, I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name), affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I understand that APABA South Florida may require me to provide documentation to corroborate my submission in order to be considered for this scholarship. I understand that if I am selected as a scholarship recipient and any of the information I provide is false that my scholarship award may be revoked.

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date