





## Application Requirements

Applicants must submit all of the following to the Scholarship Committee by August 30, 2019:

- Cover letter describing how their academic, personal, and professional accomplishments qualify them to receive a scholarship award.
- Completed 2019 Scholarship Application.
- Resume.
- Most recent transcript (*note: students entering their 1L year must submit transcripts from their undergraduate institution or most recent post-graduate institution*).
- Class registration or other proof of enrollment for the 2019-2020 academic year.
- A legal commentary, supported by case law, statutes, rule of law, or ordinances, on **one** of the following **four** topics (3,000 words):
  1. Should federal agents be allowed to arrest and deport an undocumented person when the individual has appeared in any court for any reason?
  2. Should discovery of an individual's social media accounts and/or social media posts, including third-party subpoenas to social media companies, be permissible in any civil litigation?
  3. Does a reasonable expectation of privacy exist in an individual's social media accounts and/ or social media posts that requires a search warrant in a criminal case?
  4. Problems often endure for lack of comprehensive solutions. Present a comprehensive and well-reasoned solution to the United States of America's immigration system, including any change you propose to make to existing immigration statutes, policies and/or procedures to achieve a balance between order, security and justice.



- Two letters of recommendation from any of the following:
  - Dean, Associate Dean, or Professor at Applicant’s law school (*note: students entering their first year of law school may submit a recommendation from a Dean, Associate Dean, or Professor from their undergraduate or post-graduate institution*);
  - Member of the Puerto Rican Bar Association who is in good standing;
  - An individual who is personally acquainted with the applicant, but not related by blood, marriage, or adoption; or
  - A former employer of the applicant.
- Proof of Financial Need.

### **Submission Deadline**

Completed applications must be **received by August 30, 2019**. Scholarship recipients will be notified by September 30, 2019, and will be honored at the Puerto Rican Bar Association Scholarship Fund’s Annual Gala on Friday, October 18, 2019, from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at The Lighthouse, Pier 61, New York, NY.

**Incomplete or late applications will not be considered by the Scholarship Committee.** All applications, essays, and required materials must be submitted in a single PDF document to Elsa Hernandez, Esq. at [corresponding-secretary@prbany.com](mailto:corresponding-secretary@prbany.com).





**PART B. ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

High School (Name, City, State): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year Graduated: \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 City State Zip Code

Dates of Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Honors, Awards or Special Recognition: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 City State Zip Code

Dates of Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Honors, Awards or Other Special Recognition: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 City State Zip Code

Dates of Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Honors, Awards or Special Recognition: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Honors, Awards or Other Special Recognition: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Law School: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 City State Zip Code

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 Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Honors, Awards or Special Recognition: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART C: COMMUNITY SERVICE**

In no more than 1,000 words, please describe how your volunteer and/or community service has impacted you and your community. In your response, please include dates of service, the name(s) of the organization(s), and the position(s) held with each organization.



**PART D: FAMILY BACKGROUND**

1. Are you Puerto Rican or of Puerto Rican descent?  Yes  No

If “yes”, please state from which “*pueblo*” your family originated and tell us in 1,000 words or less what you know about your *pueblo*. If “no” then go to question 2 below.

2. Are you or your family from Latin America?  Yes  No

If “yes”, please state where in Latin America you, or your family, were born. Please tell us in 1,000 words or less what you know about your family’s country and/or province.

