



## **FARELLA BRAUN + MARTEL LLP'S 2025 DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Farella Braun + Martel LLP will award a total of \$45,000 in scholarship grants to be divided equally among three first-year law student recipients.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicants must be current full-time law students who are about to complete or just completed their first-year classes in good standing, pursuing a J.D. at one of the following law schools: University of California Berkeley School of Law; University of California Davis School of Law (King Hall); UC College of the Law, San Francisco; Santa Clara University School of Law; Stanford Law School; or University of San Francisco School of Law.
- Applicants must be students whose academic achievement, employment and community service indicate strong potential to excel in the legal profession and be a future leader in taking actions towards making the legal profession more diverse, equitable, and inclusive. This means actions towards ensuring or working to ensure equal access, opportunity and participation for everyone in the legal community.

A group of our attorneys and legal professionals make up the panel of judges who will review the applications. The panel may also include client representatives who co-sponsor the scholarship program. Scholarship applications and materials will be reviewed by all panelists. The panel will select no more than five (5) finalists for the three scholarships who will be interviewed. After the interviews have been conducted, the panel will make the final selection of the three law student recipients. All recipients will be offered the opportunity to participate in a formal mentoring program by our Firm's attorneys throughout their second year of law school.

Scholarship recipients will be chosen based upon a combination of merit and financial need. With respect to merit, the panel of judges will consider each applicant's academic accomplishments, and employment and community service that indicate strong potential to excel in the legal profession and be a future leader in taking actions towards making the legal profession more diverse, equitable, and inclusive. Financial need will be determined based upon the following: the applicant's and the applicant's family's income; the applicant's sources of financial aid, including loans, grants, fellowships, and scholarships, if any; assets, if any; expenses; and expected income during the summer of 2025. Preference will be given to applicants demonstrating a commitment to working and living in the Bay Area after the completion of their legal studies.

All completed applications must be received by **May 27, 2025**. We anticipate that scholarship recipients will be notified in June and will receive their scholarship checks shortly thereafter.



## DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

### CONTACT INFORMATION SHEET

Note: To be eligible for this scholarship, you must satisfy the eligibility requirements set forth above.

Scholarship applicants should be aware that any information provided in this application may be subject to verification by Farella Braun + Martel LLP. In addition, each scholarship recipient's basic biographical information, such as a recipient's academic history and personal achievements, may be published on our website, in our materials, and/or through the press. By signing this application, you are providing your consent to such publication.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address, City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Law School \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate School \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate School (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Averages:

College GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate School GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Law School GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Employer(s), Location(s), and Position(s) for Summer 2025 (if known)

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### ACTIVITIES SHEET

If **not** already listed on your resume that you are submitting with this application, please describe your activities in law school, college and/or graduate school and any community activities below.

Law School Activities (attach additional sheet if necessary)

Organization	Dates of Participation	Positions Held and Duration of Tenure for Each

College Activities (attach additional sheet if necessary)

Organization	Dates of Participation	Positions Held and Duration of Tenure for Each

Graduate School Activities (attach additional sheet if necessary)

Organization	Dates of Participation	Positions Held and Duration of Tenure for Each

Community Service Activities (attach additional sheet if necessary)

Organization	Dates of Participation	Positions Held and Duration of Tenure for Each



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### SIGNATURE SHEET

By signing below, I agree that, in the event I am selected as a recipient of the 2025 Farella Braun + Martel LLP (FB+M) Diversity Scholarship, FB+M and any client co-sponsors of the program may publicize my receipt of the scholarship, including my basic biographical information, including but not limited to my name, photograph, my academic history and my personal achievements, through the press, in written materials or by publishing the information on the web. I further agree that my photograph may be taken at any in-person or virtual reception and may be publicized through the press, in written materials or by publication on the web. I also agree that FB+M may disclose the information contained in this application and any supporting materials submitted in connection with this application to FB+M clients who participate in the scholarship program as a co-sponsor.

I also declare under penalty of perjury that the information I have provided in this scholarship application, including all the attached documentation, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Name (Please Print)

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Signature

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Date

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### DOCUMENT LIST SHEET

Please attach the following documents to this application:

- A copy of your resume
- A copy of your law school transcript (an unofficial copy is acceptable)
- A copy of your college transcript (an unofficial copy is acceptable)
- Copies of transcripts for all other graduate and undergraduate academic work (unofficial copies are acceptable)
- A list of no more than three references, including name, address, telephone number and e-mail address (if possible) – please note that we would prefer that at least one of your references be a law school professor or instructor. Additionally, you may provide no more than two letters of recommendation, which may also be from people whom you have listed as references.
- A personal statement (not to exceed two single-spaced pages) describing the qualities and talents you would bring to the legal profession; the obstacles, if any, that you have overcome in pursuing your education; how your academic achievement, employment and community service indicate your strong potential to excel in the legal profession and be a future leader in taking actions towards making the legal profession more diverse, equitable and inclusive; and how the scholarship would help you. Actions toward making the legal profession more diverse, equitable and inclusive means actions towards ensuring or working to ensure equal access, opportunity and participation for everyone in the legal community.
- **One** of the following:
  - A copy of your most recent FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or Student Aid Report;
  - Copies of your 2024 IRS tax forms if you have or intend to file 2024 IRS tax forms, and, if you are a dependent of another person or persons, such as your spouse, parent(s) or legal guardian(s), such person(s)' 2024 IRS tax form(s) if such person(s) has/have filed or intend(s) to file 2024 IRS tax forms; or
  - You may also submit a statement of economic need (not to exceed one single-spaced page).
- Any other information that may be needed to show the applicant's and the applicant's family's income; the applicant's sources of financial aid, including loans, grants, fellowships,



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and scholarships, if any; assets, if any; expenses; and expected income during the summer of 2025.

**Please be sure to redact all social security numbers on any financial documentation.**

If your application is incomplete because any of the above documents are unavailable to you at the time of your submission, please submit as complete an application as possible, with a brief explanation of why your application is incomplete.

## **SUBMISSION INFORMATION SHEET**

Applications must be received by **May 27, 2025** via email at [DiversityScholarship@fbm.com](mailto:DiversityScholarship@fbm.com).

If you have any questions regarding your application, please direct them to Kayla Nieskes, at [KNieskes@fbm.com](mailto:KNieskes@fbm.com).

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Farella Braun + Martel LLP Diversity Scholarship Program!