

FAIRBANKS ASSOCIATION OF LEGAL ASSISTANTS PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the Fairbanks Association of Legal Assistants Professional Scholarship is to provide scholarships for practicing paralegals intending to sit for the Certified Legal Assistant/Certified Paralegal (CLA/CP) exam or achieve an Advanced Paralegal Certification (APC).

The CLA/CP exam is offered three times each year in March, July and December. The deadlines to apply for the CLA/CP exams are March 15, May 15 and October 1, respectively. The APC is a web based, self-study program for individuals who have already earned the CLA/CP designation. The scholarship amount will be \$250 per year. Funds will be awarded after successful completion of either the CLA/CP or the APC.

Qualifications :

1. Applicant must be a FALA member in good standing
2. Applicant must be a full-time or part-time paralegal working under the supervision of an attorney.

An exception is made for individuals who have met the NALA educational or experience requirements to be designated a paralegal, but who are working in a state or government agency setting (i.e. a legal technician or clerk of court).

3. Applicant must successfully complete the CLA/CP exam within 12 months or complete the APC within 90 days after the award is made.

Application Procedure: Provide an essay including the following:

1. The paralegal's contact information, educational background and work experience
2. An explanation of the paralegal's financial need, and
3. How certification will contribute to the paralegal profession upon completion of the exam.

Please limit the essay to no more than 3 pages, typed.

Completed Applications may be mailed to:

Fairbanks Association of Legal Assistants Scholarship
PO Box 74947
Fairbanks, AK 99707

or

Applications may be emailed to the FALA Board: info@fairbanksparalegal.org

or

Applications may be hand-delivered to either Deana Waters' or Meredith Lanis' Faculty Mailbox UAF/CTC (604 Barnette Street) across from the UAF/CTC Information Desk.

General questions or concerns about this scholarship may be addressed to:

FALA Board, Fairbanks Association of Legal Assistants

PO Box 74947, Fairbanks, AK 99707

Phone: (907) 459-6771 or Email: info@fairbanksparalegal.org