

**APPLICATION FOR ILLINOIS JUDGES FOUNDATION
HAROLD SULLIVAN SCHOLARSHIP 2025**

BACKGROUND

The Illinois Judges Foundation awards the Harold Sullivan Scholarship to one or more students attending an Illinois law school. The Illinois Judges Foundation will award at least one \$5,000.00 scholarship, and may award runner-up scholarship(s) for \$2,500.00. The scholarship monies are paid by the IJF to the winning students' law school(s) to cover future tuition and related costs. Some law schools may award matching funds, thus increasing the value of a scholarship award. Please check with your law school to determine the amount of matching funds, if any, it will provide.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Does not have a close family member who is a judge;
 - Has at least one year remaining at an Illinois law school;
 - Has community service or pro bono experience;
 - Has financial need

The Illinois Judges Foundation is accepting applications for the Harold Sullivan Scholarship until **4:00 p.m. on June 27, 2025**.

More information and the application form can be found at www.ijafoundation.org. Applications and questions should be sent to Hon. Janet Adams Brosnahan, (Ret'd.) at scholarship.ijf@gmail.com.

Letters of recommendation are not accepted, nor are personal or professional references.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Please type or print legibly.)

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

LOCAL ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____

PREFERRED PRONOUN: (enter here): _____ (he/she/they)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION Anticipated Graduation Date (check one): ____May 2026 ____May 2027
Other date: _____

LAW SCHOOL: _____

SCHOLARSHIP SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Identify any college or university from which you graduated, the year, and the degree received:

Do you have a relative who is currently a judge? _____ YES _____ NO

If YES, give name, relationship, location, title and current assignment of relative:

Your responses to the following prompts must be attached to the email along with the completed Application form. Responses must be submitted in typewritten, double-spaced, 12-point font, with one- inch margins.

1. In a separate document, in pdf or docx format, please explain your financial need in detail. Relevant information includes a description of your financial aid, scholarship/s, grant/s, loan/s, your income from employment, your familial support, and any extenuating financial circumstances.
2. In a separate document, in pdf or docx format, please describe any community service or *pro bono* work you have done.
3. In a separate document, in pdf or docx format, please respond to the following prompt in 750-1500 words (not including citations):

Derek Detainee was a pre-trial detainee being held in custody at County Jail (located within the jurisdiction of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois). One morning, a cell door slammed on Derek’s foot, causing a 1½ laceration on his right big toe. Derek was taken to County Jail’s doctor, Dr. Decision. Derek asked to be transferred to the hospital for stitches. Dr. Decision declined the request, concluding that stitches were unnecessary. After cleaning the laceration and applying a butterfly band aid, Dr. Decision told Derek to keep the wound clean and dry for three days.

That night, the toilet in Derek’s cell overflowed, soaking Derek’s foot. The next day, Derek told a jail guard he wanted to go to the hospital because his foot got wet, and his toe was sore and swollen. The jail guard relayed this information to Dr. Decision. Dr. Decision entered an order for a nurse to apply antiseptic, and for Derek to be given clean, dry socks.

Two days later, Derek complained that the pain in his right big toe was excruciating. He was transferred to the hospital, where it was determined that his toe was infected. When efforts to treat the infection failed, Derek’s right big toe was amputated.

Derek has filed a § 1983 (42 U.S.C §1983) action against County Jail and Dr. Decision, alleging that defendants were deliberately indifferent to his medical needs in violation of his Constitutional right(s).

What specific Constitutional protection is the basis of Derek’s claim? Discuss Derek’s claim and analyze the likelihood of his success considering the legal standards that apply.

PUBLICATION AGREEMENT

I hereby grant the Illinois Judges Foundation the royalty-free, non-exclusive right to publish this essay, or any modification of this essay, in any form of publication. I am the sole owner of any copyrights to this essay and I will retain all rights to reproduce, distribute, or display this essay along with all other rights, privileges, and remedies granted or reserved to a holder of a United States copyright.

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I hereby grant permission to the Illinois Judges Foundation to use photographs or videos of me taken during the Harold Sullivan Scholarship award event for use in media stories, publications, websites, reports to sponsors, and any other matter related to the Illinois Judges Foundation.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby acknowledge that I have read this agreement and agree to be bound by each and every term herein.

I do hereby swear or affirm that the information contained herein is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

I hereby acknowledge that the essay submitted with this application is my sole, exclusive and original work.

I am fully aware that any intentional falsification of information contained herein may result in the denial of the application or loss of any aid received.

I realize that this award may be revoked if I fail to meet the designated qualifications. I

understand that I must continue to meet the designated qualifications.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____