



January, 2010

Omaha Legal Professionals Association

Enclosed are Application forms for the Omaha Legal Professionals Association, ("OLPA") Scholarship and the Nebraska Legal Professionals Association, ("NLPA") Scholarship.

The OLPA Scholarship awards a \$1,000.00 Scholarship to the first place winner selected from qualified applicants. However, this year only, OLPA is awarding a second Scholarship for \$500.00 to the second place winner. The NLPA Scholarship awards \$1,250.00 to its first place winner and \$750.00 to its second place winner. Please feel free to photocopy as many application forms as your students need.

The OLPA applications are to be postmarked on or before **March 25, 2010**. NLPA Scholarships are to be postmarked on or before **March 31, 2010**. Please refer to the enclosed information for additional submission requirements.

Sincerely,

Donna Birkby and Lynda Jensen-Hansen
OLPA Scholarship Co-Chairpersons

OMAHA LEGAL PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION 2010 OLPA SCHOLARSHIP

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The **Omaha Legal Professionals Association** offers a **\$1,000.00 Scholarship** for qualified applicants interested in a career as a legal secretary, legal administrative assistant, paralegal, court reporting, law enforcement, criminal justice or law related field. This year only, OLPA is awarding a **Second Scholarship for \$500.00**.

The scholarship(s) are awarded on the basis of:

- **Scholastic achievement (a grade point average of "B" or above)**
- **Involvement in school and/or community**
- **The intention to pursue a career in the legal field**
- **Applicant's Statement**

Address Applications for the Omaha Legal Professionals Association scholarship(s) to:

Lynda Jensen-Hansen
OLPA Scholarship Co-Chairperson
2243 Lincoln Street
Blair, NE 68008-1839
(402) 426-8602
Email: ly66jensen@huntel.net (Questions Only)



OMAHA LEGAL PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION 2010 SCHOLARSHIP



CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE FORM

(This form is to be completed by an appropriate supervisor, employer, or faculty member.)

APPLICANT NAME _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE _____ ON A _____ SCALE

EVALUATION

(Check appropriate box)

	<u>Superior</u>	<u>Above Average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Poor</u>
Ability to reason and to work independently in solving problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Initiative and resourcefulness in doing work assignments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accuracy in carrying out details of instructions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to get along with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

General Comments (may attach letter of recommendation): _____

Signature of employer, supervisor or faculty member: _____

Title/position: _____ Date: _____

NEBRASKA LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

Scholarship Application

Deadline: Postmarked on or before March 31, 2010

The Nebraska Legal Professionals Association is a statewide group consisting of four chapters and affiliated members-at-large established in 1997. Its members share a common interest in promoting continuing professionalism in the legal field. There will be a \$1,250.00 scholarship for first place and \$750.00 scholarship for second place. The scholarship will be awarded for the eleventh time in 2010 to Nebraska students enrolled in a certified program leading to a career in law.

All applicants must be enrolled full time in pre-law, paralegal, legal secretarial, business, criminal justice or a law-related program. A check for \$625.00 for the first place recipient and a check for \$375.00 for the second place winner will be issued to the institution each semester after verifying the student is still enrolled and taking the required classes. If the student for any reason withdraws from school or does not meet the class criteria mentioned above we will forward the scholarship award to the alternate candidate.

Please print or type:

Name: _____
Last First MI Nickname

Street: _____

City: _____, Nebraska **ZIP:** _____

I plan to attend (school name and address): _____

High School last attended: _____

Location: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ **Class Ranking:** _____/_____

GPA: _____ on a _____ scale **ACT Score** (if available): _____

Please attach:

1. A **certified** copy of your latest **transcript**
2. A **resume** covering your education history, school and community activities, and your work history for the last five years
3. A **one-page** personal statement stating why you wish to become a legal secretary/paralegal OR why you wish to continue your formal legal secretarial/paralegal education.
4. A **copy** of your acceptance to the school of your choice.

Submit to: Mary Nuss, NLPA Scholarship Chair, 1323 Central Ave., P.O. Box 10, Kearney, NE 68848
Telephone: (308)236-6441 or Fax to: Mary Nuss at (308)234-3747.