

**Justice Raymond L. Wilkes Memorial Scholarship
&
Lawrence Kessler Advocates
Instructions & Application**

Purpose:

The Justice Raymond L. Wilkes Memorial Scholarship was established to support students enrolled in the E. David Woycik, Jr. Trial Techniques Program.

The Kessler Advocates was established to provide economic and mentoring support to second- or third-year Hofstra Law students.

Range of Award:

Amount varies based on selected recipients.

The awarded amount will be applied toward the tuition cost of the E. David Woycik, Jr. Intensive Trial Techniques Program.

Eligibility:

All applicants must:

- must be a 2L or 3L student in good standing.
- have financial need; a completed 2025-2026 FAFSA must be on file.
- must demonstrate a commitment to pursuing a career in civil and/or criminal litigation and/or demonstrated excellence in trial and moot court competitions.

To apply for these scholarships, please submit:

1. A completed and signed scholarship application.
2. A copy of your resume.
3. A personal statement for each scholarship (please see application form for details).

All documents must be submitted as one PDF file, via email to lawfinaid@hofstra.edu,
no later than 5:00pm on Monday, November 17, 2025.

If you are unable to scan your application to be saved as a PDF file, you can download the Adobe Scan app on your phone for free. This app takes pictures and converts them to PDF files. We cannot accept pictures of the pages; all applications must be submitted as one PDF attachment in an email.

Personal Information

Hofstra Student ID: _____ Name: _____
Last First Middle

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____ / _____ Program Enrollment: ☐ Full-Time ☐ Part-Time
Month Year

Local Street Address: _____

Preferred Telephone: ☐ cell ☐ home (____)____ - _____ Hofstra E-mail: _____

Current Residency: ☐ On Campus ☐ Off Campus ☐ With Parents/Relatives

Financial Information

Educational Indebtedness

Total Federal Loans Borrowed to Date \$ _____

Total Private Loans Borrowed to Date \$ _____

Total Loan Debt \$ _____

Resources

Hofstra Law Merit Scholarship \$ _____

Other Scholarship/Grant Assistance \$ _____

Total Resources \$ _____

Personal Statement

Please include a statement (no more than 1 page) describing how you meet the specific criteria and why you are deserving of the scholarship(s) you are applying for. You may include any information about your personal, academic or professional goals, career plans, or community involvement that you believe would assist the scholarship committee in evaluating your application. You must submit a separate statement for each scholarship, specifically detailing how you meet the criteria for the individual scholarships. It would benefit you to research the individuals the scholarships are named after and connect your qualifications with their story.

Educational Background

College/University (*undergraduate*)

Major

Degree

Graduation Date

Post-Graduate Studies

Major

Degree or Certificate

Date Received

List any awards, honors, scholarships or special recognitions, including the year it was earned (NOT from Hofstra Law School):

List any honors, academic achievements or scholarships received while attending Hofstra Law School:

Law School G.P.A. _____ ****An unofficial transcript is acceptable*

List any extracurricular activities and affiliations:

Note: If you need additional space for any of the requested information, please attach an extra page

Certification

All the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that all applications are confidential and will only be used for evaluating eligibility. I hereby give the Scholarship Committee permission to request verification of provided information from any source necessary to determine my eligibility. I also acknowledge that it is my responsibility to submit a complete package to the Scholarship Committee and comply with all deadlines, and that a failure to do so may result in ineligibility.

I understand and agree that by signing this form, I give permission to the Scholarship Committee to release information regarding my application to the scholarship donor and all applicable parties. I also hereby give the Scholarship Committee permission, if I am chosen as a scholarship recipient to use my name and/or likeness for promotional purposes.

I understand and agree that any scholarship I may receive is non-transferable and may only be used to cover the cost of tuition and fees connected with attending Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University. If for any reason, I withdraw from Hofstra Law or am otherwise no longer matriculated at Hofstra Law, I shall return any unused scholarship funds and shall have no claim to any undisbursed funds.

I hereby certify that I have read the application information and filled out the requested information as instructed and I understand and accept all conditions specified. I understand that falsification of information may result in automatic disqualification from this application process and eligibility in successive years, and/or in termination of any scholarship granted. All application materials become the property of the Scholarship Committee.

Name (printed)

Signature

Date