

# **The Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship & The Damon J. Keith Scholarship**

## **Application Information Sheet**

The **Damon J. Keith Scholarship** was established in 1995 by the Wolverine Bar Foundation to commemorate Judge Keith taking senior status on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. The scholarship is based on merit and is awarded annually to a law student who emulates the type of commitment to social equality and combating racism that has been demonstrated by Judge Keith throughout his career. A diverse group of law students: including all ages, ethnic, gender and racial backgrounds submit applications for this prestigious scholarship.

Applications are considered by the Wolverine Bar Foundation's Scholarship Committee from any law student in good standing, currently enrolled in law school in the state of Michigan, or from any Michigan resident currently enrolled and in good standing in a law school out-of-state. First year students, in their first semester of law school are not eligible to apply for the Damon J. Keith Scholarship. The Damon J. Keith Scholarship is a one-time award; thus former recipients are ineligible. Previous applicants who meet the requirements are welcome to re-apply for the scholarship.

Candidates for the Damon J. Keith Scholarship are screened through a two-tier process and undergo a rigorous interview. During this interview the Scholarship Committee explores the applicant's background, community involvement, activities in pursuit of equal justice for all, and any school, civic, religious or social involvement the candidate believes qualifies him or her for the Damon J. Keith Scholarship.

The **Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship** is based on the financial need and merit of the law student. The scholarships are awarded annually to minority law students, in good standing, who are either currently enrolled in a Michigan law school, or who are Michigan residents enrolled in an out-of-state law school. First year students, in their first semester of law school are not eligible to apply for a Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship. The Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship is a one-time award; thus former recipients are ineligible. Previous applicants who meet the requirements are welcome to re-apply for the scholarship.

Candidates for a Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship are screened through a two-tier process and undergo a rigorous interview. During this interview the Scholarship Committee reviews the applicant's financial information sheet, and explores the applicant's background, community involvement and other activities or circumstances the candidate believes qualifies him or her for a Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship.

The Wolverine Bar Foundation's Scholarship Committee is charged with overseeing the administration of both the Damon J. Keith Scholarship and the Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship. The Scholarship Committee will review all applications and notify applicants of the status of their application. The Scholarship Committee will conduct interviews for both scholarships in **April of 2008.**

The Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship and The Damon J. Keith Scholarship are separate and different scholarships. Applicants may apply for one or both scholarships. Applicants are not required to apply for both scholarships. A single biographical application can be used to consider applicants for either scholarship. However, an applicant must write an essay for each scholarship for which he or she is applying. If the applicant is applying for both scholarships, please be aware that separate essays must be provided, as indicated in the Scholarship Application Form. The amount awarded per scholarship is a minimum of Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$500.00).

Complete scholarship applications **must be received by Friday, April 4, 2008, 5:00 p.m.**, in the Wolverine Bar Foundation office located at 645 Griswold, Suite 961, Detroit, Michigan, 48226, telephone (313) 962-0250, fax (313) 962-5906. **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.** All applicants will be notified by electronic mail of the status of their application. All applicants selected for an interview will be notified by telephone or electronic mail to arrange an interview time. Interviews will take place in April of 2008.

Applicants selected to receive a scholarship will be notified at least 30 days following the interview date. All Wolverine Bar Foundation Scholarship and Damon J. Keith Scholarship recipients will be invited to attend the Wolverine Bar Foundation Presidential Dinner in June of 2008. The scholarship recipients will receive their scholarship and be formally acknowledged at the Wolverine Bar Foundation Presidential Dinner. The Damon J. Keith Scholarship recipient will also be invited to attend the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Damon J. Keith Community Spirit Award Luncheon.

You may address questions regarding the application or interviews to the Wolverine Bar Foundation, Scholarship Committee Co-Chairs, David B. Cade at (313) 665-4743 [david.b.cade@gm.com](mailto:david.b.cade@gm.com) and Traci L. Kemp Brocks at (248) 723-5818 [tkbrocks@trottlaw.com](mailto:tkbrocks@trottlaw.com). For questions regarding the office hours of the Wolverine Bar Foundation please contact (313) 962-0250.

**WOLVERINE BAR FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP  
&  
THE DAMON J. KEITH SCHOLARSHIP**

**APPLICATION FORM**

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645 Griswold, Suite 961

Detroit, MI 48226

Tel: (313) 962-0250

Fax: (313) 962-5906

[Wbaoffice@ameritech.net](mailto:Wbaoffice@ameritech.net)

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

2. Address \_\_\_\_\_

3. Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

4. Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

5. Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

6. Name of Law School \_\_\_\_\_

7. Address of Law School \_\_\_\_\_

8. Date Admitted to Law School \_\_\_\_\_

9. Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

10. Name and Address of Undergraduate Institution, Year Graduated and Degree  
Conferred, G.P.A at Time of Graduation  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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11. Current Law School G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_

12.

Other Scholarships that you have already been awarded (attach additional sheets if necessary):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Time Period Covered</u>
1. _____		
2. _____		
3. _____		
4. _____		

13. List honors or awards that you have received in undergraduate or law school (attach additional sheets if necessary):

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
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14. Extracurricular/Community Activities (School, Religious, Civic, Social Organizations, etc.):

(attach additional sheets if necessary):

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19. Please provide your estimated 2007-2008 school year financial information.

Estimated Costs

Estimated Resources

\* Tuition - Fee           \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship/grants \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Room & Board           \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Loan- Law School       \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Books/Supplies         \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Earnings                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation         \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Savings                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please list any  
Other anticipated costs  
you may incur)  
\_\_\_\_\_

Assistance             \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please list any other  
anticipated income you may receive)  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Total**                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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20. I hereby certify that all the information provided herein is accurate, current, and true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I do hereby give the Wolverine Bar Foundation, its members, representatives, and assigns my permission to investigate any of the facts contained herein.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\* Your tuition-fee should include the cost for the entire 2007-2008 school year, i.e., two semesters total.

**PLEASE ATTACH:**

1. An official law school transcript from each law school you have attended.
2. If your law school transcript does not indicate that you are in good standing, please provide a letter of good standing from the law school you are presently attending.
3. If you are a first year student and your law school cannot provide you with a transcript by the time this application is due, you must provide a letter from the law school you are currently attending stating that you are in good standing, that your transcript is not available and the reason it is not available.

PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION AND ALL ATTACHMENTS BY Friday, April 4, 2008  
by 5:00 p.m. to the:

**Wolverine Bar Foundation**  
**c/o**  
**The Scholarship Committee**  
**645 Griswold, Suite 961**  
**Detroit, MI 48226**  
**(313) 962-0250 Telephone**  
**(313) 962-5906 Fax**  
[Wbaoffice@ameritech.net](mailto:Wbaoffice@ameritech.net)

**All applications and supporting materials**  
**received after April 4, 2008, 5:00 p.m. will NOT be considered.**

**You will be notified regarding the status of your application and if you have been selected for an interview.**