



ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Federal Circuit Bar Association (“FCBA”) is a national organization including over 2,600 attorneys interested in all aspects of the jurisdiction of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. The FCBA offers a forum for common concerns and dialogue between the Bar and the judges of the Federal Circuit.

One of our missions is to assist law students in need of financial help. Therefore, through its Charitable and Educational Fund, the FCBA offers economic assistance to law students who have a potential interest in legal issues that may arise at the Federal Circuit. Such assistance is provided in the form of several scholarships.

The oldest of these scholarships is awarded in memory of Circuit Judge Giles Sutherland Rich. In addition, the FCBA is seeking candidates for the Howard T. Markey and Helen W. Nies scholarships to the extent that funding exists. In 2006, the FCBA initiated a scholarship in memory of former Chief Judge Markey, the first Chief Judge of the Federal Circuit. In 2007, the FCBA added a scholarship honoring former Chief Judge Nies as the first woman to serve as Chief Judge on the Federal Circuit.

In addition to the three Judicial Scholarships, the FCBA honors practitioners Douglas B. Henderson and William S. Bullinger through its Founders Scholarships. These scholarships highlight leadership and need. The Henderson Scholarship is privately funded through the FCBA, while the Bullinger Scholarships are funded by the FCBA. Last year, four of these Founders scholarships were awarded. We hope to be able to be as generous this year.

Provided under the heading “Scholarships/Scholarship Application & Rules” on this web site are short descriptions of each of the scholarships, the selection criteria, and the application process. If you have any questions concerning these scholarships, please contact the chair of the committee that administers the scholarships: Kevin R. Casey, Past President, Federal Circuit Bar Association, c/o Stradley, Ronon, Stevens & Young, LLP, Great Valley Corporate Center, 30 Valley Stream Parkway, Malvern PA 19355, (610) 640-5813.

Since 2001, the Fund has awarded almost \$250,000 through its Scholarship Series. Over 2,000 students have applied. The scholarship awards have positively impacted the lives of successful students; and, yet, there is still more need that additional funds could address. Consider joining with us, as have other individuals, firms, and sister associations, in funding this outreach to the future. All donations are tax deductible. To contribute to the Fund please [click here](#).