

2021 P+S Patent Bar Diversity Scholarship

At Patterson + Sheridan, our goal is to help increase and advance Black and African American representation in our legal profession, and specifically within our intellectual property community. We have therefore established the P+S Patent Bar Diversity Scholarship, which will provide funding to take a premier patent bar review course for members underrepresented in the patent law profession seeking admission to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The scholarship covers the cost to take the online patent bar review course hosted by the Practising Law Institute, as well as all costs arising from registration-related fees to take the patent bar examination (i.e. application fee, registration examination fee, and Prometric service fee).

To apply, applicants must meet the below criteria and complete/submit the attached scholarship application before the deadline.

We will award at least two scholarships and possibly more depending on the number of applications received.

The deadline to apply for the 2021 P+S Patent Bar Diversity Scholarship is April 5, 2021.

Applicant Criteria:

1. Identify as Black or African American.
2. Demonstrate an interest in pursuing a career in the patent law profession.
3. Must have been awarded a college degree (undergraduate and/or graduate) that would permit the applicant to secure registration to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Generally a science, technology, and/or engineering degree is required, but please see the General Requirements Bulletin for Admission to the Examination for Registration to Practice in Patent Cases before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (https://www.uspto.gov/sites/default/files/documents/OED_GRB.pdf) for full details.
4. Preference may be given to applicants with a demonstrated financial need.

2021 P+S Patent Bar Diversity Scholarship Application

Name: _____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

By submitting this application, I confirm that I identify as Black or African American.

Please submit this scholarship application along with the following documents in a single PDF document via email to KLowery@pattersonsheridan.com.

1. Current resume.
2. Copies of undergraduate and graduate (if applicable) school transcripts.
3. One page or less, personal statement explaining interest in pursuing a career in the patent law profession.
4. Optionally, one page or less, personal statement explaining financial need.

Submission Deadline:

April 5, 2021

Submit Completed Application and Questions Regarding Application To:

KLowery@pattersonsheridan.com