



10th ANNIVERSARY SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT 2019

WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION OF ORANGE AND SULLIVAN COUNTIES FOUNDATION, INC. ("WBAOSC Foundation") is currently seeking qualified applicants. Two (2) WBAOSC Foundation Scholarships of \$1,500 each may be awarded to deserving female law school students (accepted or currently attending) who were residents of Orange or Sullivan Counties, New York at the time of their graduation from high school or college.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The WBAOSC Foundation Scholarships are intended to:

Recognize law students who have demonstrated a commitment to excellence and an aptitude for leadership and philanthropy;
Promote excellence in legal studies by providing assistance to deserving students; and
Advance the purposes of the Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties and the WBAOSC Foundation.

AWARDS GIVEN:

Two Scholarships of \$1500 may be awarded for qualified education expenses of tuition, fees or course related expenses to two students from Orange and Sullivan Counties. The Rose S. Rosen Memorial Scholarship and Susan B. Keiser Memorial Scholarship (descriptions are on the last page of the attached application) are named after pioneering members of the Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties. Scholarship recipients also receive a free (1) year WBAOSC membership if eligible.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

Any female student, resident of Orange or Sullivan Counties, NY at the time of graduation from high school or college, and currently attending, or accepted for admission in, law school (payable if school is attended).

CRITERIA:

Scholarships will be awarded to applicants who demonstrate academic achievement, leadership and philanthropic potential, and a strong commitment to the profession, and/or the ability to overcome difficult obstacles. Involvement in programs that highlight advancement or support of women in the profession and in the community and participation in community outreach programs will also be considered. Previous recipients of a scholarship remain eligible to reapply if otherwise meeting the criteria.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Postmarked or emailed no later than May 10, 2019.

AWARD DATE:

June 26, 2019 at the WBAOSC Annual Installation Dinner held at The Eagle's Nest, Bloomingburg, New York. The recipient(s) are expected to be in attendance and are welcome to bring one guest without charge.

**APPLICATION IS ATTACHED, BUT
IF MISSING; FOR COPY CONTACT:**

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Women's Bar Association of
Orange & Sullivan Counties Foundation, Inc.

10th ANNIVERSARY 2019 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
THE ROSE S. ROSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
AND

THE SUSAN KEISER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION. (IF CONVERTING THE APPLICATION BY USE OF A PROGRAM, THE FINISHED PRODUCT MUST BE A CLOSE REPRODUCTION OF THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION.) ADDITIONAL SHEETS MAY BE ADDED WHERE SPACE IS LIMITED.

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME ON THIS FIRST PAGE. TO THE EXTENT OTHER REQUESTED INFORMATION IS ON YOUR CURRENT RESUME, YOU MAY INDICATE "SEE RESUME" IN YOUR RESPONSE AND ATTACH YOUR RESUME. SUBMISSION IS DUE BY MAY 10, 2019.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Home Phone Number: (____) _____

Cell Phone Number: (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

II. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of Law School: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Class Standing: _____

College/Universities Attended Degree GPA Date Major/Minor

High Schools Attended

Dates

Other Graduate Degrees:

A. Honors and Awards: Please list any academic honors you received during your high school, undergraduate, post-graduate or law school education:

B. Extracurricular Activities: Please describe any school-related groups with which you have been involved, and any leadership positions you have held in such groups:

III. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Please list (or attach to this application a listing or summary of) your involvement in any social, civic, religious, professional or other community groups, including any groups working to support or advance women's issues and any positions of leadership you have held in such groups.

IV. WORK EXPERIENCE

Please attach your current resume showing your employment, clerkships and internships following high school (if a current college student) or following college graduation (if a current law school student).

V. REFERENCES/RECOMMENDATIONS

Please identify two individuals who have observed your academic, professional, leadership, philanthropic, work experience, and/or other involvement in activities that you believe qualify you for either scholarship described in the last page of this application. (Optional: Please provide a letter of recommendation from each individual listed below. Please attach the letters to this application.)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title/Relationship</u>	<u>Address/ Email</u>	<u>Phone</u>
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V. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please attach to this application a general statement of your career objectives and your expectations with respect to the practice of law. Please include the following:

- (1) Why have you decided to go to law school?
- (2) What do you plan to do after law school?
- (3) Please see the description of the Scholarships available on the next page. How do you feel your situation and plans are related to the challenges, goals or spirit of one or both of these pioneering women? (If applicable, please describe challenges/obstacles you have overcome which demonstrate your strength of character, determination, maturity, etc.)

**Return Completed Application, resume, personal statement, and any
recommendations postmarked by May 10, 2019 to:**

**WBAOSC Foundation, P.O. Box 10782, Newburgh, NY 12552-0782
or by email to maureen@cvlawgroup.com**

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ROSE S. ROSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The WBAOSC Foundation established this scholarship in 2009 in memory of Rose Rosen, a former President of the Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties and a pioneering woman in the law.

Rose Rosen served as a Founding Member of the Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties. When she graduated from St. John's Law School in New York in 1929, one of only about four women in her class, she was denied admission to the New York State bar because of gender. Not to be defeated, she ran her husband's (George H. Rosen) law practice in Sullivan County, persisted in seeking admission to the New York State Bar, and ultimately achieved her goal. She practiced many years under her maiden name. Rose Rosen passed away in 1989. We recognize that the pioneering spirit of Rose Rosen is still needed today to continue to provide avenues for the advancement and education of women lawyers in our society. Her example and unwavering commitment to the practice of law notwithstanding gender barriers inspired the WBAOSC Foundation to establish this scholarship.

SUSAN KEISER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The WBAOSC Foundation established this scholarship in 2009 in memory of Susan Keiser, a former President of the Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties and a committed volunteer to her community and the advancement of woman in the law.

Susan Keiser served as President of the Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties and was a State Treasurer of the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York. She was the recipient of the Rose Rosen Award given by WBAOSC in 1990. Her impact on her community and volunteer spirit was inspiring. Susan was a member of the Sullivan County Charter Commission and a Trustee of the Sullivan County Community College. She was a founder of the Sullivan County Youth Council and Planned Parenthood of Sullivan County, a member of the board of Congregation Agudas Achim of Livingston Manor, and a founder of both the Sullivan County Scenic Coalition and Project Manor. Her devotion to the law and advancement of women lawyers was evidenced by her life choices. Susan became a lawyer through apprenticeship in her husband, Michael's law office and took and passed the N.Y.S. Bar Exam in 1977 without having attending law school. From 1978, she practiced law at Keiser & Keiser. She received a B.A. from the University of Chicago, an M.A. from New York University and a PhD from the Fielding Graduate Institute. Susan was a candidate for Family Court Judge of Sullivan County in 1992, losing election by just 76 votes of 29,000 cast. The WBAOSC Foundation established this scholarship in recognition of her tireless community service and undaunting example of commitment to the promotion of women in the law.