

FDCC Foundation
“Barb Currie Diversity Scholarship”
2016

We are committed to the full participation and inclusion of diverse professionals in our organization and the legal profession as part of our core values of diversity and inclusion. To that end, we seek diverse members, whether persons of color, women, LGBTQ, or persons with physical limitations and whether they represent economic, geographic, social, ethnic, racial or religious diversity. With these core values in mind, we created the **FDCC Foundation Barb Currie Diversity Scholarship** to honor the spouse of one of our long time members, Edward J. Currie, Jr., a champion of diversity in the profession.

CRITERIA

The FDCC Foundation Barb Currie Diversity Scholarship will be open to application by all diverse law school students and prospective students. The selected recipients will receive a \$5,000 academic scholarship to the law school of their choice and have an opportunity to intern for an FDCC law firm or company in the geographic areas where they wish to practice between their second and third year of law school. The internship is a paid position. The applications will go through a two-step review process. The first review will be conducted by a subcommittee composed of FDCC members appointed by the President of the FDCC Foundation. The second and final review process will be composed by five members: the President of the FDCC Foundation, a Member of the Foundation Board, a Member of the Diversity Committee, a Member of the Admissions Committee, and a Member of the Membership Development & Retention Committee.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

To apply, please submit the following materials no later than **December 30, 2016**:

- **Personal statement** describing how you will contribute to FDCC’s core values of diversity and inclusion, describing your needs and any unique qualifications and providing information on any other matters you believe would assist the Review Committee in evaluating your application (1000-word limit)
- **Writing sample** (7-page limit)
- **Three references** including names and contact information of individuals who can attest to your professional and academic abilities

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications may be submitted beginning **October 15, 2016**. All parts of the application must be submitted at the same time to dpolscer@gordon-polscer.com. Applications must be received by **December 30, 2016**. The selection committee will notify applicants selected for an interview by **February 15, 2017**. Please address any questions about the Barb Currie Diversity Scholarship program to Diane Polscer (dpolscer@gordon-polscer.com).

For more information, please visit – <http://www.thefederation.org/process.cfm?PageID=2362> .