

# Sixth Annual Chapman and Cutler LLP Maynard H. Jackson Jr. Diversity Scholarship

At Chapman, we believe that diversity and inclusion create not only the foundation of our community but more effective solutions for our clients. We recognize the great responsibility to increase diversity in the legal profession and want to do our part, as we know the work is far from over.

As a part of our commitment to diversity, we are pleased to offer the sixth annual **Chapman and Cutler LLP Maynard H. Jackson Jr. Diversity Scholarship**.

The recipient of the award will receive a \$10,000 scholarship (less any applicable withholdings and taxes) to be used to cover law school expenses.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Must be from a diverse background, including areas of racial or ethnic diversity, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, or other areas of underrepresentation
- Must be currently enrolled and in good academic standing at an ABA-accredited law school
- Must have an expected graduation date no later than spring 2025
- Need not apply for or receive a Chapman summer associate position in order to apply for the scholarship. Applicants who receive and accept a Chapman summer associate position will be removed from the applicant pool, so as to make the opportunities offered by Chapman available to as many students as possible.

*Recipients of a diversity or similar award from another law firm are not eligible for this scholarship.*

## SELECTION CRITERIA

- Academic Achievements
- Community Service
- Leadership Abilities
- Written Communication Skills
- Commitment to and Support of Diversity and Inclusion

*Consistent with our broad and inclusive view of diversity, we will also consider additional criteria, such as military experience and demonstrated ability to overcome adversity (e.g., first-in-family college attendance or socioeconomic disadvantage). An interest in finance is preferred but not required.*

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications are due by September 15, 2023. Only complete applications received by the deadline will be considered. A complete application package must include the following items:

- Scholarship application form
- Current resume
- Official or unofficial undergraduate transcript and current official or unofficial law school transcript (finalists will need to submit official undergraduate and law school transcripts)
- In 500 words or less, please discuss your qualifications for the scholarship, which can include your academic and personal strengths, leadership qualities, exceptional contributions to your community, and/or your commitment to the practice of law. While not a requirement to receive the scholarship, please include any interest you have in finance law.
- One general professional letter of recommendation

*Please submit your completed application materials in a single PDF via email to Shannon Burke at [shaburke@chapman.com](mailto:shaburke@chapman.com) by September 15, 2023. You can either include the letter of recommendation with your application or you can have your recommender email the letter to Shannon directly.*

# CHAPMAN

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Maynard H. Jackson Jr. was a public finance partner at Chapman and Cutler LLP from 1982 to 1990. He was the first African American mayor of Atlanta, serving three terms (1974-1982, 1990-1994), during which, among his many accomplishments, he instituted affirmative action programs to advance opportunities for minority-owned and women-owned businesses. After leaving office as mayor, he served as the first chairman of the Democratic National Committee's Voting Rights Institute and subsequently founded the American Voters League.

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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Law School: \_\_\_\_\_  
LAW SCHOOL NAME CURRENT GPA

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate School: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduated GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

### Application Materials

- Chapman and Cutler LLP Diversity Scholarship Application form (this form)
- Current resume
- Current official or unofficial undergraduate transcripts
- Current official or unofficial law school transcripts (including all first-year grades)
- Personal Statement (500 words or less) discussing your qualifications for the scholarship, which can include your academic and personal strengths, leadership qualities, exceptional contributions to your community, and/or your commitment to the practice of law. While not a requirement to receive the scholarship, please include any interest you have in finance law.
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*By signing this application, I hereby certify that the above and enclosed statements and information are true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false or misleading statements and/or information given by me in connection with this application will disqualify me from consideration for the Chapman and Cutler LLP Maynard H. Jackson Jr. Diversity Scholarship.*

APPLICANT SIGNATURE:

DATE: