

The Thomas Tang Law Scholarship – 2021

Funded by the Arizona Asian American Bar Association

Purpose:

The Arizona Asian American Bar Association (“AAABA”) is pleased to announce the Thomas Tang Law Scholarship. This scholarship is named after Judge Thomas Tang, who served on the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and was a leading pioneer of diversity and inclusion within the legal profession. We continue to honor his outstanding achievements and memory to this day with this scholarship.

This scholarship was created and endowed in a joint effort by AAABA and local businesses to address the noticeable lack of prominent leaders of Asian ancestry and others who support minority interests in Arizona’s legal, business, and political communities, despite the growing Asian-American and minority population. It is the scholarship committee’s goal to encourage and mentor bright, charismatic, and ambitious law students and assist them in becoming community leaders in the field of law, business or politics.

Scholarship Awards:

Up to four scholarships of \$1,000.00-\$3,000.00 each may be awarded, as determined by the selection committee. Winners may use the awards for university-related charges, bar preparation courses, and other approved education-related activities, such as fellowships.

Eligibility and Rules:

The applicant must be a current student pursuing a Juris Doctor degree and currently enrolled at an ABA-accredited law school in Arizona (students graduating in May 2021 are eligible to apply). Students of all ethnic backgrounds are welcome to apply. Previous scholarship winners are not eligible, but previous applicants who did not receive awards are eligible. For eligibility questions, please contact the Scholarship Committee Director.

The reviewing committee may consider, among other things, each applicant’s academic performance, character, leadership skills, involvement with the minority community and diversity initiatives, commitment to becoming involved in AAABA or in supporting AAABA’s mission, goals and program, and intention to practice in Arizona.

Deadline: April 23, 2021 by email to Kenny Ho, at kho@cdslawfirm.com

Please direct questions to Kenny Ho, Scholarship Committee Director, at kho@cdslawfirm.com

The Thomas Tang Law Scholarship Application – 2021

Name:

Law School:

Anticipated Graduation Month/Year:

Mailing Address:

Phone Number:

E-mail Address:

Have you previously applied for the Thomas Tang Scholarship? Yes/No
If you have previously applied, please state which year(s) you have applied:

Please enclose the following documents with your application (incomplete application packets will be rejected):

1. A copy of your resume with your law school GPA and class rank;
2. An unofficial copy of your law school transcripts; and
3. Please respond to **both** prompts:
 - a) A 1-page personal statement introducing yourself and discussing how you plan to contribute to diversity and inclusion initiatives within the Arizona business, legal, or political communities; and
 - b) A 1–2-page discussion of what the legal community should do to respond to the rise of anti-Asian-American sentiment and conduct in the wake of COVID-19.

Please **e-mail** these materials to:

Kenny Ho
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DEADLINE:
ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
FRIDAY APRIL 23, 2021 AT 11:59 P.M. ARIZONA TIME.