



Federal Bar Association

South Florida Chapter

Judge Marcia G. Cooke Public Interest Scholarship

The South Florida Chapter of the Federal Bar Association has created a scholarship to honor the life and memory of the Honorable Marcia G. Cooke. Judge Cooke dedicated her life to public service, working in a variety of positions in local, state and federal government before ultimately becoming the first Black female federal district judge in the State of Florida and, to date, the only Black female federal district judge to have served in the Southern District of Florida. This scholarship will be awarded to a local law student (from Florida International University College of Law, St. Thomas University College of Law, or University of Miami School of Law) who has demonstrated a commitment to, and intends to pursue a career in, public service. The scholarship is a one-time award of \$5,000.00.

To be considered, please complete and submit the following application, along with a current resumé and law school transcript, to the South Florida Chapter of the Federal Bar Association at the following e-mail address: JudgeCookeScholarship@gmail.com. Only complete application packages received on or before June 14, 2024, will be considered. The recipient will be selected during Summer 2024 and will be notified prior to the start of the Fall 2024 Semester.

Candidate Background

Full name: _____

Undergraduate Institution: _____

Major/Degree: _____

GPA: _____

Year of Graduation: _____

Awards/Honors: _____

Graduate Institution: _____

Major/Degree: _____

GPA: _____

Year of Graduation: _____

Awards/Honors: _____

Law School: _____

GPA: _____

Month/Year of Expected Graduation: _____

Awards/Honors: _____

Are you a first-generation college graduate (*i.e.*, your parents/guardians did not graduate from college)? _____

Are you a first-generation law student (*i.e.*, your parents/guardians did not graduate from law school)? _____

Have you taken out student loans for law school? _____

If so, what is your current law school loan balance? _____

Have you received any other financial aid (*e.g.*, grants, scholarships) for law school? _____

If so, how much in total have you received? _____
