

American Inns of Court National Advocacy Training Program

A unique opportunity to learn and hone critical trial advocacy skills

Application for the Tim Coleman Scholarship

Overview

The American Inns of Court National Advocacy Training Program (NATP) is an intensive two-and-a-half-day program organized by the American Inns of Court with training conducted by members of the England-based Inns of Court College of Advocacy (ICCA). The ICCA, established by the four Inns of Court in London, is comprised of leading barristers and judges who provide guidance and training in the pursuit of excellence in advocacy. The involvement of the ICCA makes this program unlike any other offered in the United States. It is through our close relationship with the Inns of Court in London that the American Inns of Court is able to offer this truly unique opportunity to our members and further our mission to inspire the legal community to advance the rule of law by achieving the highest level of professionalism through example, education, and mentoring.

Tim Coleman Scholarship

Tim Coleman was an enthusiastic, active and engaged member of the American Inns of Court Board of Trustees. He had a particular interest in our international programs, and committed his support to the pilot of the NATP. Sadly, we lost Tim before he could see the success of the program. The American Inns of Court is proud to provide this training to a new generation of attorneys who will carry on the traditions of courtroom advocacy, something which Tim felt was a crucial skill. We are eager for a diverse group of attorneys to experience this superb opportunity to enhance advocacy skills in an exceptional training environment. Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer honors Tim Coleman's memory by sponsoring one scholarship for a new lawyer to attend the NATP. The scholarship includes complimentary registration, travel and lodging for the recipient (economy class).

Requirements

Scholarship applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Active member of an American Inn of Court
- In their first 2 – 5 years of practice
- Will advocate in court as part of their practice
- Is a solo practitioner, employed by the state or local government, works in legal aid or in another setting which meets the intent of this needs-based scholarship

Application

To apply, please prepare the following information:

- A personal statement (no more than 1 page) including:
 - What you hope to get out of the experience
 - How you plan on putting the training to work for you after the program
- A short (1 paragraph) biography
- Program city preference (Chicago or Tampa) – we will do our best to accommodate based on available space.

Please email to Libby Bingham, Director of Education and Mentoring Programs, American Inns of Court: lbingham@innsofcourt.org.

Deadline

- All applications must be received by **July 15, 2017**.
- Applicants will be notified of their status by **August 1, 2017**.
- Due to space limitations, we encourage registering as a paying participant for the program in advance to ensure a spot, if you are planning on participating regardless of the scholarship process. (This will not have a negative impact upon the consideration of your application.)

Questions

- Program details are available on the website: home.innsofcourt.org/NATP
- Additional questions can be directed to Libby Bingham, Director of Education and Mentoring Programs:
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