



THE  
**Temple Bar**  
SCHOLARSHIPS®



## History and Purpose

The Temple Bar Foundation was created in 1991 by the Right Honourable Lord Denning of Witchurch, former Master of the Rolls, and Chief Justice of the United States Warren E. Burger to further strengthen ties between leading members of the English and American bars and to advocate greater attention to the professional ethical standards those establishments share.

## What is the Temple Bar?

The Temple Bar is a great arched stone gate, designed by Sir Christopher Wren, which once stood as an entrance to central London. The area was where guilds of lawyers organized into what would become the four English Inns of Court. This same area is now considered "Legal London." The archway stood in place until 1878, when modern traffic forced its removal to the countryside. It is the last of the original gates to London to remain standing. The Temple Bar gate was returned to the City of London and opened to the public in November 2004. It now serves as an entrance to Paternoster Square just north of one of Wren's other great achievements, Saint Paul's Cathedral.



## About the Program

The scholarship begins in late September, with scholars attending the ceremonial opening of the legal year at Westminster Abbey and a reception held in their honor, hosted by COMBAR at the Old Hall, Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn. During the first week, scholars visit the four Inns of Court and meet with preeminent leaders of the English bench and bar.





The following two weeks are spent in mini-pupillage in leading barristers' chambers. While there, scholars "shadow" a barrister and observe and discuss English trial practice. The scholars receive intense exposure to the English legal system and learn first-hand from some of the most senior members of the legal profession.

The final week of the scholarship is spent with a justice of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom. Scholars observe the appellate process with opportunities to discuss matters with members of the United Kingdom's highest court.

## What are the costs?

Scholars are provided air transportation, lodging, and a modest stipend to help cover their expenses for the duration of the program. Entertainment and additional travel expenses are the responsibility of the scholars, as are any costs associated with a lengthened stay. The program is supported through the generosity of the COMBAR, which is headquartered in London.

## How are scholars selected?

The principal selection criteria for Temple Bar Scholarships® are high academic achievement in law school, experience as a law clerk for a justice of the Supreme Court or other leading appellate court, and demonstrated interest in international law issues.



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## Application

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FULL NAME

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CURRENT ADDRESS

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PERMANENT ADDRESS

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### Please attach the following items:

résumé

short personal statement explaining your interest in the program and what you hope to gain from the experience

letter of recommendation from the judge for whom you clerked

**Electronic submissions are preferred and should be sent by e-mail to Cindy Dennis at [cdennis@innsofcourt.org](mailto:cdennis@innsofcourt.org).**

If submitting by US Mail, applications must be postmarked no later than April 30.

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