



IPA TO AWARD FIRST PACE SCHOLARSHIP IN 2007

IPA proudly announces that it will award a PACE Scholarship in 2007. Applications for the first IPA PACE Scholarship are currently being accepted. One scholarship will be awarded annually. The criteria for this scholarship are:

1. Candidates must be a voting member of IPA.
2. Candidates must be PACE-eligible in meeting education and experience requirements at the time of application.
3. Candidates must have exhausted other possibilities for funding costs associated with sitting for PACE, without incurring debt, including employer support, prior to making application for this scholarship.
4. Candidates will be required to submit a written application.
5. The scholarship recipient will have one (1) year, or up to and including July 1, 2008, to utilize this scholarship.
5. Failure to utilize this scholarship on or before July 1, 2008, will forfeit all rights to this scholarship.
6. All scholarship funds will be paid directly to NFPA with no scholarship proceeds paid directly to the scholarship recipient.
7. Scholarship proceeds may be used to pay for the PACE Study Manual, the PACE Candidate's Handbook, the PACE examination fee and the PACE online mock examination only. Scholarship proceeds may not be used to pay for the NFPA AIPS Online Review Course.
8. All scholarship proceeds not used by the scholarship recipient between June 30, 2007 and July 1, 2008, will be available for reallocation to another IPA PACE Scholarship candidate.

9. Considerations in the selection process include:
- candidate's goals and desires for taking/passing PACE;
 - inability to obtain financial support for costs associated with sitting for PACE;
 - participation in paralegal associations;
 - participation in community activities, volunteerism, etc.;
 - activities which promote the vocation of paralegals and paralegal education
10. Applications must be submitted to Debi Neale, RP, IPA PACE Ambassador by **June 1, 2007**. Applications are available on the IPA website or through Debi Neale, RP, IPA PACE Ambassador ~ dneale@tabberthahn.com

Please join me in thanking the IPA Board of Directors for its support of credentialed paralegals and its continued, strong support of the paralegal profession!

SAMPLE APPLICATION:

IPA PACE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Board of Directors of the Indiana Paralegal Association will present an IPA PACE Scholarship to a PACE Candidate who meets the required criteria. One scholarship will be awarded annually. The first IPA PACE Scholarship will be awarded on June 20, 2007, at the June IPA Monthly Meeting.

ELIGIBILITY:

Candidates must be a voting member of IPA and must be PACE-eligible in meeting education and experience requirements at the time of application. Candidates must have exhausted other possibilities for funding costs associated with sitting for PACE, without incurring debt, including employer support, prior to making application for this scholarship.

APPLICATIONS:

All candidates will be required to complete a Scholarship Application. Applications will be accepted until Friday, June 1, 2007.

FACTORS TO BE EXAMINED:

Inability to obtain financial support for costs associated with sitting for PACE without incurring debt; participation in paralegal associations, participation in community service, volunteerism, and activities that promote the vocation of paralegals and paralegal education. Letters of reference will also be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS:

One candidate will be selected annually based on a majority vote of the PACE Task Force appointed by the President of the Indiana Paralegal Association.

IPA PACE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Employer: _____

Employer's Address: _____

Employer's Phone: _____

Immediate Supervisor(s): _____

1. State whether the candidate is currently a voting member of IPA and how long the candidate has maintained membership in IPA.
2. Describe how the candidate meets the education and experience requirements necessary to sit for the Paralegal Advanced Competency Exam (PACE).
3. Describe why the candidate desires to sit for PACE.
4. Describe what the candidate intends to do in preparation for sitting for PACE.
5. Describe how the candidate will benefit from successful completion of PACE.
6. Describe the candidate's efforts to obtain financial support for costs associated with sitting for PACE from the candidate's employer.
7. If the candidate is selected to receive this scholarship, when would the candidate plan on using the scholarship. [Note: The candidate only has one (1) year from the date of acceptance of this scholarship to use the scholarship.]
8. Describe the candidate's participation in paralegal associations, including IPA.
9. Describe the candidate's participation in community service and volunteerism.
10. Describe the candidate's activities that promote the vocation of paralegals and paralegal education.
11. If the candidate is successful in passing PACE, how does the candidate intend to use credentialing to promote the vocation of paralegals and paralegal education?
12. Give any additional information the candidate would like the PACE Task Force to consider. Please feel free to use additional pages or send other documentation to support the candidate's application.
13. Please attach a current resume.

Date

Signature of Candidate

*On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Paralegal Association,
thank you for submitting your application for the 2007 IPA PACE Scholarship.*

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN JUNE 1, 2007, TO:

Debi Neale, R.P.
IPA PACE Ambassador
One Indiana Square, Suite 1900
Indianapolis, IN 46204
fax: (317) 639-5232
e-mail: dneale@tabberthahn.com

Date received: _____

Received by: _____

I look forward to receiving your applications to pass on to the selection committee!

*By Debi Neale, R.P.
IPA PACE Ambassador
The seventh in a series of
PACE Ambassador Articles*

2007 PACE ONLINE REVIEW
COURSE DATES REMAINING:

April 16, 2007

June 11, 2007

July 23, 2007

September 10, 2007

October 22, 2007

The cost of the course is \$395. The student must purchase the PACE Study Manual before the 7 week class starts. Contact Debi Neale, R.P. at debi@tabberthahn.com or www.paralegals.org for more information.