

OREGON WOMEN LAWYERS FOUNDATION ESSAY CONTEST

The Oregon Women Lawyers Foundation (“OWLF”) is pleased to announce its second annual essay contest with a \$500 grant to the winner and an opportunity for the winning essay to be published in whole or in part. All applicants must be a student at an Oregon law school and answer the question below in 1200 to 1500 words (12 point Times New Roman or Ariel font). Please submit the essay along with this completed application form to Kristin Larson at krismlarson@gmail.com by **February 2, 2009**. The winner will be chosen in four to five weeks from the submittal deadline.

ESSAY QUESTION

Each of us can use our own strengths to “open doors” to others in the community. Everyone in the legal community, from law students to retired judges, has something to give to others (experience, a willing ear, resources). “Opening doors” does not mean just providing new opportunities. It also includes helping people take advantage of those opportunities. In other words, we can’t just open the door for others, we must walk through it with them. “Opening doors” also includes the concept that giving empowers the giver as well as the receiver.

How can you use your experiences and strengths to “open doors” to the justice system?

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YEAR IN LAW SCHOOL _____

I agree that, by submitting this application and the essay, the essay is the property of the OWLF and may be edited and submitted, in whole or in part, by OWLF for any publication.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____