On an annual basis, the Inland Empire Chapter of the Federal Bar Association will award one or two academic scholarship(s) to law student(s) in their final year of law study who meets the criteria below. The value of the scholarship is up to one thousand dollars ($1,000.00).

1. **NOMINATION.** To be considered for a scholarship, a law student must complete an application as provided by the Board. Each year, the Board of Directors will set a date by which nominations must be submitted.

2. **SELECTION.** After receiving nominations, the Board will choose one recipient for the scholarship. The Board will choose the scholarship recipient based on the following criteria:
   a. **Connection to the Inland Empire.** Because a goal of the Chapter is to support excellence in practice of law in the Inland Empire, a student who receives a scholarship must have a significant connection to the Inland Empire. Examples of how this may be satisfied are:
      (1) The student is a graduate of a high school, college or university in either Riverside or San Bernardino County.
      (2) The student has concretely demonstrated the intent to practice law in Riverside and/or San Bernardino County after graduation.
      (3) Any other evidence of a significant connection to the Inland Empire.
   b. **Scholastic Excellence.** The student has demonstrated scholastic excellence by being in the top 15% of his or her academic class in law school at the time of nomination.
   c. **Outstanding Personal Qualities.** The student has demonstrated outstanding personal qualities of high moral character, commitment to community service, exemplary work ethic and insightful intellectual curiosity. The student’s extracurricular and community activities will be considered by the Board in determining whether the student satisfies these criteria.

3. The award may be publicized annually by communicating with the chapter membership, various bar associations, the local press, and law schools in the state of California.

4. Presentation of the award shall be made at the chapter’s annual Judges Night Dinner, at which the student(s) receiving the award will be the chapter’s honored guest, and will receive a certificate recognizing the award.