I. MISSION STATEMENT
The King Hall Legal Foundation (KHLF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to increasing equal access of underserved populations in the justice system. KHLF funds projects proposed and executed by King Hall students and financially supports graduating King Hall students pursuing careers in the public interest sector as they prepare for the Bar Examination.

II. KHLF BAR GRANT
KHLF Bar Grants are awarded to eligible graduating law students to assist with expenses associated with preparing for and taking the Bar Examination.

III. ELIGIBILITY
To apply for a Bar Grant, you must: (1) be a KHLF member in good standing; (2) graduate from King Hall during the current calendar year; (3) volunteer five hours of time with a local public interest legal entity that has been approved by KHLF; and (4) must have secured or be actively pursuing a paid or unpaid position at a KHLF qualifying public interest organization.

IV. SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS
Applicants typically have secured employment from or are pursuing public interest employment with 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations or public defender’s offices. KHLF will also consider employment or pursuit thereof for other governmental agencies or departments. The work done at the governmental agency or department, however, must be similar to the work that would be done by a qualifying non-profit organization. Furthermore, applicants should demonstrate that the governmental agency or department provides critical legal services that are not currently delivered by non-profit organizations.

KHLF does not award Bar Grants to individuals employed with or seeking employment with a District Attorney’s Office, the Office of the Attorney General, judicial clerkships, or the private sector. If you have a question regarding the merits of a specific type of employment during the application process, please contact the KHLF co-chairs before the application deadline.

KHLF will evaluate applicants and their positions pursuant to the criteria mentioned in Section V.

V. SELECTION PROCESS
The Selection Committee (Committee) will evaluate each applicant’s proposal. The evaluation will not be anonymous. The Committee will consist of two KHLF Board of Directors and two King Hall faculty members. The KHLF Board of Directors has developed the selection criteria below in accordance with the organization’s mission (mentioned in Section I). KHLF awards grants to applicants receiving the highest overall scores tallied from each of the four selection committee members.

1 KHLF Bar Grant applicants typically satisfy this requirement prior to applying. For example, any King Hall Clinic work, public interest externships, and outside volunteer work typically fulfill this requirement. Please check with Fitz King (frking@ucdavis.edu) to confirm that you have fulfilled your volunteer hours.
Applicants are strongly encouraged to emphasize their experience and dedication to public interest law. If the applicant currently has a post-graduate position, the application should include a discussion of how this position will address a critical legal need in the community. If the applicant has not secured a post-graduate position, the application should emphasize both past and present dedication to, and experience with, public interest law as well as any intended pursuit of similar work.

**Some Criteria Considered Include:**
- The overall connection between the applicant and KHLF’s mission;
- Past and current involvement with KHLF;
- Past experience in public interest law;
- Academic experience related to public interest law (this includes courses that reflect a commitment to public interest law, clinical experience, and any public interest research papers fulfilling the law school writing requirement);
- Future public interest plans; and
- The strength of the application, including clarity and thoroughness.

**VI. GRANT AMOUNT**
The Bar Grant can vary from $500 to $4,500. The amount requested will not necessarily be the amount awarded. KHLF reserves the right to select the distribution amount given.

**VII. GRANT REQUIREMENTS**
- Grantee must meet the eligibility requirements mentioned in Section III.
- Grantee must adhere to a Grant Award Contract between grantee and KHLF. This contract will require the grantee to:
  - Graduate in the calendar year in which the applications are being reviewed;
  - Register to take the bar examination in the Winter or Summer of 2012;
  - Be responsible for any tax consequences of her/his funding;
  - Pay back grant funds if the grantee does not conform to all requirements of the contract.
- Should a grantee not end up working in the public interest field after receiving a grant, said grantee must return the grant money.
- Note: grants will not be disbursed until proof of graduation and registration for the bar exam in the applicable time period are confirmed. It is the grantees responsibility to provide this information in a timely manner to the KHLF co-chairs.

**VIII. APPLICATION DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION**
Applications are due by 5:00 PM on Thursday, March 29, 2012. **Late applications will not be considered.**

Applications must be turned in to the KHLF Mailbox, located in the Faculty Mail Room, and accessible through the receptionist in the Dean’s Suite. KHLF will begin accepting applications on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 9:00 AM. Please note that the Dean’s Suite is closed on the weekends. The office will be open, with a staff member available to accept applications, during regular business hours from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
Note: Successful sample applications from previous years are available on Smartsite. If you have questions, please contact Fitz King (frking@ucdavis.edu).
2012 KHLF Bar Grant Application

NAME: ____________________________________________

CLASS: ____________________________________________

ADDRESS: ____________________________________________

EMAIL: ____________________________________________

TELEPHONE: ____________________________________________

ANTICIPATED FALL 2012 ADDRESS ____________________________________________

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ANTICIPATED FALL 2012 EMAIL: ____________________________________________

ANTICIPATED FALL 2012 TELEPHONE: ____________________________________________

PLEASE ATTACH:

Short Answers
1. How long have you been involved with KHLF?
2. Have you received any previous funding from KHLF? If so, when and for what reason?

Personal Statement
1. A 2-4 page statement of purpose describing your past and present dedication to and experience in public interest law. If you have secured post-graduate employment, please include a discussion of how your position will serve the public interest. If you have not secured post-graduate employment, focus your statement on your past and present experience in public interest law, and your future plans in the public interest sector.

Two (2) Letters of Recommendation and Résumé
1. Two letters of recommendation from individuals who can speak to your dedication to public interest law.
2. A copy of your résumé.

Optional
1. A “Statement of Financial Need” describing your financial situation for a KHLF Bar Grant is optional. If included, the Statement must not exceed 200 words.