



**American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA) Scholarship:**

Presented to the student nominated by the lead ABOTA instructor in the Trial Practice course.  
Scholarship: \$2,000

**Reuben V. Anderson Scholarship**

The recipients of the Capital Area Bar Association Minority Scholarship Honoring Reuben V. Anderson will be entering, full-time students at the Mississippi College School of Law, provided that the students are Mississippi residents at the time of enrollment and that the students attended at least grades 10-12 in the State of Mississippi, and further provided that the students will be selected by the Dean with the advice of the Law Day Awards Committee and will be those who support the diversity goals and programs of the Mississippi College School of Law and who embody the leadership traits and character of Reuben V. Anderson.

Scholarships: Two at \$1,000 each.

**Association of Legal Administrators Award:**

Awarded to two 2L students in the top half of the class with financial need.

Awards: Two at \$1,250 each.

**Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP Law Review Award:**

This law firm presents awards to the students on Law Review with:

- [1] Best Comment
- [2] Best Case Note Awards: Two at \$500 each

**R. Jess Brown Scholarship for Leadership in Racial Reconciliation**

Recipient(s) shall be selected from students who are enrolled in either the First Year or Second Year at the School of Law. In addition to being in good academic standing, one of the most significant criteria is that the recipient(s) exemplify the spirit of R. Jess Brown, one of the first African American attorneys in the State. Mr. Brown dedicated his life to representing the underclass, women and children who had no access to the legal system. Preference will be given to candidates who are non-traditional students and supporting a family while going to law school.

**Cosmich, Simmons & Brown Diversity Scholarship**

Established in 2018 this award is presented to a student based on criteria set by the firm of Cosmich, Simmons & Brown.



### **Judge John Richard Countiss III '56 Memorial Award:**

Magistrate Judge John Richard Countiss III had a true love for the law. He believed that professionalism and practicality were essential characteristics that lawyers must possess in order to be effective advocates in the legal system.

Judge Countess's judicial career began as a United States Commissioner, the precursor to the magistrate position. Judge Countiss retired from the bench in 1993, after having served as a Judge for almost thirty years. At the time of his death, in 2006, he was the longest serving U.S. Magistrate Judge in the country.

To honor Judge Countiss, the United States Magistrate Judge John Richard Countiss III Award is presented to a student who has not only excelled academically, but also has exhibited a love for the law, and who personifies professionalism among his or her peers.

Criteria for the Judge Countiss Award:

1. Presented to a 2L student in the top 20% of his/her class and who has earned the respect of both the faculty and his peers through a commitment to professionalism in the practice.
2. Recipient shall be a student who the faculty agrees will be an asset and contributor to the Bar.
3. Recipient shall be a student who is a member of Moot Court and/or Law Review.
4. On basis of financial need.

### **Judge Sebe Dale Memorial Scholarship Award:**

An endowed scholarship established in 1981 in memory of Judge "Sebe" Dale to recognize academic excellence.

### **The John and Gwen Deakle '75 Scholarship:**

Selected by the Dean, this award goes to a student who has "worked their way up" in life, uses loans to finance law school expenses, demonstrates a concern for the "little person", shows a feel for true justice, and possesses "fire in their belly."

### **Dean's LSBA Award**

### **Frank M. Deramus Law Scholarship**

Dr. Jody Hindman Deramus has established the Frank Ming Deramus Memorial Scholarship for a 2L law student who is committed through service to the development of the law school and who has demonstrated potential for service through the practice of law and to the community.



**Floyd & Luella Doolittle Labor Law Award:**

Roger Doolittle '78 established this award in 2009 in honor of his father. Roger set the following criteria:

Presented on Law Day each year to that student who excels in labor law, shows promise of leadership and demonstrates the determination to become a successful attorney.

**Peter L. Doran '88 Memorial Scholarship Award:**

Established in 2006 by Pete Doran's law firm, this award is presented to a 2L student with a connection to Pete's home state of Louisiana who best represents the character and personality of this gifted attorney. The recipient will embody the traits of citizenship, a zest for living, and a love of people that Pete so vividly exhibited.

**Dean Pat Evans Scholarship**

**John B. Farese Memorial Trial Advocate Award:**

Professor Pat Bennett will select two recipients on the basis of financial need and trial practice tendencies. This award is open to students from all states and has a three year flexible term.

**Gadow-Wiser Award**

**Hederman Law Scholarship**

**Herman and Martha Hines Award:**

Presented to a student who demonstrates civic leadership.

**Chief Justice Dan Lee '48 Memorial Scholarship**

This Scholarship was established in memory of Mississippi Supreme Court Chief Justice Dan M. Lee, Sr., Class of 1948, whose lifelong devotion to the law was exemplified in his unwavering love of justice and his ceaseless battle for judicial integrity. Judge Lee demonstrated his commitment to education by his support and work with the Mississippi College School of Law.

Criteria for the Judge Dan Lee '48 Memorial Scholarship:

- Awarded to a student who in the opinion of the Committee has earned the respect of the faculty and his/her peers through a commitment to the standards and ideals held by Judge Dan Lee. The recipient shall be a student who the Committee agrees will be an asset and contributor to the Bar.
- On basis of financial need.



**Judge Tom S. Lee Scholarship**

The Tom S. Lee Scholarship will be awarded to students of promise who demonstrate the same academic gifts, high morals, character and integrity as Tom Lee and require financial aid to attend law school.

**Madison County Bar Association**

Madison County Bar Association changed the requirement for the Scholarship. In the past, the only requirement was residency in Madison County.

**Frisby Griffing Marble Scholarship:**

Given annually to 2L and/or 3L students in the top 1/3 of the class who show potential for outstanding service to the legal profession.

**Victor and Gayle Mavar Scholarship Award:**

Established in 1988, the purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships for worthy and financially needy law students at Mississippi College School of Law. The selection of recipients shall be by the Dean of Mississippi College School of Law as deemed appropriate with the criteria in the attached description.

**McGlinchey Stafford Award:**

The law firm of McGlinchey Stafford offers this annual award to a 2L law student with the highest overall grade point average at the end of the first year of study

**Sue Riggan Millette Scholarship:**

Presented in memory of graduate Sam Mellette's mother to provide assistance to a deserving young, married law student.

**Mississippi Association of County Board Attorneys Award:**

Presented to a 2L student based on academic achievement

**Mississippi Association for Justice ~ Roy Noble Lee Award:**

Presented to a 2L student who best exemplifies the attributes of a successful trial lawyer with careful consideration given to the president-elect of the Mississippi Chapter Trial Lawyers Association – Student Division at MC Law.

**Mississippi Bankruptcy Conference:**

Highest grade in bankruptcy.



### **Mississippi Bar Sections Awards**

1. **Alternative Dispute Resolution**
2. **Business Law Section of the Mississippi Bar Award:**
3. **Estates and Trusts Section of the Mississippi Bar Award**
4. **Family Law Section of the Mississippi Bar Award:**
5. **Health Law Section of the Mississippi Bar Award:**
6. **Litigation Section of the Mississippi Bar Award:**
7. **Real Property**
8. **Taxation**

### **Fellows of the Young Lawyers of the Mississippi Bar Award:**

Presented to a Mississippi resident who exemplifies the qualities of leadership, academic achievement, service to the college community and the greater community, as evidenced by participation in extracurricular activities. It is further required that the recipient have been a resident of Mississippi for five years preceding the award of the scholarship. The Committee may, but is not required to consider, financial need.

### **Mississippi Bar Foundation:**

Presented to a 2L student who in the opinion of the faculty best exemplifies the attributes of a successful attorney. The criteria for the award are achievement and need.

### **Mississippi Chapter of the Federal Bar Association ~ Robert E. Hauberg Award:**

Presented to a student with the highest average in Constitutional Law.

### **Mississippi College Law Alumni Award:**

Presented to one or two current 2L students on the basis of scholarship, leadership and potential as a member of the legal profession.

### **Mississippi Corporate Counsel Scholarship**

### **Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association Award:**

Presented to a 2L student who best exemplifies the attributes of a successful defense attorney.



**Mississippi Women Lawyers Scholarship Award:**

Recipient must be active in the Women Student Bar Association.

**Professor Jeffrey Jackson Scholarships**

Established in 2016 to honor Professor Jeffrey Jackson, the Owen Cooper Professor of Law at MC Law. The scholarship in year one established awards to be provided to honor his love of the law and to honor and promote student success in both the classroom and life.

- The Professor Jeffrey Jackson Civil Procedure Award
- The Professor Jeffrey Jackson Ethics Award
- Professor Jeffrey Jackson Scholarship Award

**Rankin County Bar Scholarship Award:**

Rankin County Bar Association changed the requirement for the Scholarship. In the past, the only requirement was residency in Rankin County. Candidates for the Scholarship must now fall into one of seven categories:

**Betty B. Tucker Award:**

Established by Dean Mary Libby Payne, this award is named in honor of a Jackson School of Law graduate who served as the first female chancellor of Hinds County. Presented to a female law student who shows academic promise. Also, a Mississippi University for Women graduate is preferred.

**Robert and Marie Upton Scholarship Award:**

Presented to two rising, non-traditional 2L students who possess the character and high moral values of Mrs. Upton. Recipients should show a sense of service to the community and others. Other requirements include that they do not otherwise hold an institutional scholarship and will be selected by the Dean based on input from the faculty for 1L courses.

**Carol C. West Award**

The Carol C. West Law Day Award is given to a 2L student, nominated by the Faculty and selected by the Law Day Scholarships Committee, who is an excellent student with an interest in Legal Writing and Family Law, who is supportive of colleagues, and who best exemplifies the qualities and character of Professor Carol West.

**Sam Wilkins Criminal Law Award**



### **Women in Profession Award**

As determined by the Women in the Profession Committee of the Mississippi Bar.

1. The student must be a full-time, 2L or 3L female law student in good standing
2. The student must demonstrate a commitment to public service (evidenced by either an externship, internship or other documented volunteer work); and
3. The student participate, to some degree, in her law school's student government and/or student body association activities.

### **M. Judith Barnett Single Parent Scholarship**

Scholarship presented to a deserving student in good academic standing who is a single parent. Must be currently enrolled in and in good academic standing at the MC School of Law.