

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Fresno County Bar Association, in conjunction with the family of Harout "Harry" Zekian, are proud to offer two (2) scholarships, each in the amount of \$2,500.00, to qualifying Fresno County resident law students.

Harry Zekian was born in Beirut, Lebanon and moved with his family to Los Angeles at the age of 13, eventually moving to Fresno in 1988. Harry attended Clovis West High School and graduated from California State University/Fresno. Harry enrolled in Whittier Law School and graduated in 1998 at the top of his class.

Harry joined his law school friend, David Beitchman, and formed the firm of Beitchman and Zekian. The firm prospered and successfully operated offices in both Los Angeles and Glendale.

Although Harry was an outstanding and bright practitioner, he was perhaps best known and remembered for his extraordinary "love of life." He was energetic, enthusiastic, generous and always the "best friend anyone could ever have."

He possessed a special "spark" that was easily identifiable to those who surrounded him, whether they knew him well, or had just met him. No one was a stranger to Harry.

Harry was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident in 2003, at age 29, leaving behind, not only a grieving and loving family, but countless wonderful friends and an unmistakable and indelible mark on the lives of those he touched.

It is in Harry's memory that these scholarships are proudly awarded by the Fresno County Bar Association and the Zekian family, to those individuals that recognize his qualities and strive to become competent and ethical attorneys, in addition to becoming role models in our community, a community which Harry loved and within which he is so fondly remembered.



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**\$2,500.00 SCHOLARSHIP FOR A LAW  
STUDENT  
FROM FRESNO COUNTY**

**THE HARRY ZEKIAN MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**OF THE FRESNO COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION  
ANNOUNCES THE**

**AVAILABILITY OF TWO (2) \$2,500  
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

**FOR SPRING 2011.**

**REQUIREMENTS:** Applicant must be a resident of Fresno County who is a law student in good standing of a school of law in California accredited by the State Bar of California; Students in law schools outside Fresno County are eligible so long as their permanent family residence address is in Fresno County, California.

**AVAILABILITY:** Two (2) grants in the amount of \$2,500.00 each, will be available for Spring, 2011.

**APPLICATION FORMS:** Write to the following: Ms Bobbie Lee, Executive Director, Fresno County Bar Association, 1221 Van Ness Ave., Suite 300, Fresno, CA 93721-1720.

**CRITERIA:** Under the terms of the Fresno County Lawyers' Memorial Fund, which is providing the grants, an applicant must be a law student in good standing with a demonstrated legal aptitude. Application **must be postmarked** by October 15, 2010. Selection will be made on or about November 30, 2010.

**APPLICATION FORM FOR THE HARRY ZEKIAN  
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR SPRING 2011**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

State Facts Which Qualify you as a Permanent Fresno County Resident: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Law School Applicant Attends: \_\_\_\_\_

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Which Year of Law School Will You Be Attending in Spring 2011: \_\_\_\_\_

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Law School grade point average: \_\_\_\_\_

Law School class standing: \_\_\_\_\_

What extra curricular activities have you participated in during law school or prior to law school?

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What is your employment history currently and prior to law school? \_\_\_\_\_

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What academic honors, if any, have you received during college or law school? \_\_\_\_\_

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What are your career plans after graduation? (Note: it is not necessary for purposes of this scholarship grant that you intend to return to Fresno County to practice law; the trust document only requires that you be a resident of Fresno County; students whose permanent residence is in Fresno County during their law school attendance are eligible to apply for a grant) \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTE: ATTACHMENTS TO THIS APPLICATION ARE PERMITTED.**

WITH THIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION I AUTHORIZE THE FRESNO COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION/HARRY ZEKIAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE TO VERIFY MY ENROLLMENT, GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND CLASS STANDING WITH MY LAW SCHOOL REGISTRAR.

DATE:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID#

\_\_\_\_\_  
Permanent Resident Phone #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone #

Please attach resumé