



THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION

2016

The Honorable Judith S. Kaye Commercial and Federal Litigation Scholarship

The New York Bar Foundation is pleased to announce the *2016 Honorable Judith S. Kaye Commercial and Federal Litigation Scholarship*, which has been established by The Foundation through a gift from the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section of the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA). The scholarship(s) will be awarded to up to five female litigators and will cover the cost of their registration at the 2017 Commercial Litigation Academy (“Litigation Academy”). The goal of the Scholarship is to help increase the number of women taking a leadership role in commercial cases litigated in both the state and federal courts in New York. The Litigation Academy is sponsored by the NYSBA and the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section of the NYSBA.

Recipients will receive the award on November 14, 2016 in the Ceremonial Courtroom in the Southern District of New York in conjunction with the presentation of the Hon. Shira A. Scheindlin Award for Excellence in the Courtroom to a female litigator who has distinguished herself in the courtroom in either the Federal or State Courts in New York and has shown a commitment to mentoring young attorneys in the legal community. The first recipient of the Hon. Shira A Scheindlin Award is Carrie H. Cohen, who led the trial team in the recent trial of former Speaker of the New York State Assembly Sheldon Silver. Former female Chairs of the Commercial & Federal Litigation Section will be presenting a CLE program along with junior female attorneys from a number of law firms in New York as part of the program.

The requirements to become a Kaye Scholar are:

Eligibility:

Female attorneys who are in good standing the New York State Bar and have practiced law between two and six years since their admission to the New York State bar.

Scholarship Application Requirements

To apply, please submit the following:

1. A two page letter stating (i) why you should be selected as a Kaye Scholar and how receiving this scholarship would benefit your career and (ii) a statement that receiving this scholarship will enable you to attend the Litigation Academy where it would not otherwise be possible.
2. A resume.

Payment of Scholarship

The scholarship will be applied to the recipients' full registration fee for the 2017 Commercial Litigation Academy to be held on May 4 and 5, 2017 at the New York Society of Security Analysts in Manhattan.

Deadline

The application and supporting documents must be postmarked on or before *Tuesday, October 18, 2016*.

Recipients of the Kaye Scholarship will be based on the following factors:

- Content of letter
- Quality of written expression
- Work and other experience
- Any other relevant factors

Attendance

Recipients must attend the November 14, 2016 event when the scholarships will be awarded.

Submission

All materials must be submitted by mail and postmarked on or before *Tuesday, October 18, 2016*.

Mail to:

The New York Bar Foundation *Tuesday, October 18, 2016*.

The Honorable Judith S. Kaye Commercial and Federal Litigation Scholarship
One Elk Street
Albany, NY 12207



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*The Honorable Judith S. Kaye Commercial and Federal Litigation
Scholarship Application*

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Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ email: _____

Firm: _____

Date graduated from law school: _____

Date admitted to the New York State Bar:

Length of time in the practice of law in years and months since admission to the New York State
Bar: _____

Attach the following materials to this application:

1. A two page letter stating (i) why you should be selected as a Kaye Scholar and how receiving this scholarship would benefit your career (ii) a statement that receiving this scholarship will enable you to attend the Litigation Academy where it would not otherwise be possible.
2. A resume.

Application Deadline:

All materials must be submitted by mail and postmarked on or before *Tuesday, October 18, 2016 OR* by email no later than 4:00 p.m. on *Tuesday, October 18, 2016*.

Mail to:

The New York Bar Foundation

One Elk Street

Albany, NY 12207

Email submissions should be sent to: mocclair@tnybf.org

How did you hear of this scholarship? _____

Certification:

I hereby certify that all of the statements contained and information provided in this application and in the attachments hereto, are truthful to the best of my knowledge, and that I meet the eligibility requirements for the 2016 *The Honorable Judith S. Kaye Commercial and Federal Litigation Scholarship*.

Applicant's Signature

Date

About the Honorable Judith S. Kaye

Hon. Judith S. Kaye served as Chief Judge of the State of New York from 1993 until her retirement on December 31, 2008. The first Chief Judge ever to complete a full 14 year term, Judge Kaye was appointed to a second term by Governor Eliot Spitzer and sworn in on March 19, 2007. She is the first woman to occupy the State Judiciary's highest office and became the first woman to serve on New York State's highest court when Governor Cuomo appointed her Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals in 1983.



Judge Kaye held many posts during her tenure as Chief Judge, including Chair of the Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children for more than 17 years; Founding Member and Honorary Chair, Judges and Lawyers Breast Cancer Alert (JALBCA); Member of the Board of Editors, New York State Bar Journal; and Trustee, The William Nelson Cromwell Foundation. She served as President of the Conference of Chief Justices and Chair of the Board of Directors, National Center for State Courts (2002-03). She was the moderator of the New York State Bar Association's 2008 Presidential Summit panel titled, "Breaking the Cycle for Youth at Risk", and has been recognized for her extraordinary commitment to and affection for New York's children and families.

A native of Monticello, NY, Judge Kaye authored numerous publications, particularly articles dealing with legal process, state constitutional law, women in law, professional ethics and problem-solving courts. She received many awards and has had several honorary degrees conferred on her.

Judge Kaye was awarded a B.A. degree from Barnard College in 1958 and an LL.B. from New York University School of Law (cum laude) in 1962. She was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1963 and engaged in private practice in New York City until her appointment to the Court of Appeals.

About The Commercial and Federal Litigation Section

The Purpose of the Section is to improve the quality of representation of clients, provide a forum for the improvement of law and procedure in the areas of commercial and federal litigation, and enhance the administration of justice.

The Section serves its mission by:

- Developing relationships and sharing practice experiences with fellow commercial and federal litigators, with state and federal judges, and with regulatory and administrative bodies;
- Establishing committees for the purpose of promoting research and discussion on current issues affecting our practice;
- Influencing and proposing legislation affecting our practice;
- Developing continuing legal education programs on topics relevant to our practice; and
- Providing networking opportunities for its members.

For more information about the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section, go to www.nysba.org/Sections/Commercial_Federal_Litigation/Commercial_and_Federal_Litigation_Section.html

About The New York Bar Foundation

Founded in 1950, The New York Bar Foundation is dedicated to aiding educational, direct legal services, and charitable projects aimed at meeting the law-related needs of the public and the profession. The Foundation solicits charitable contributions and provides funding through its grant making program for the following purposes:

- Increasing public understanding of the law
- Improving the justice system and the law
- Facilitating the delivery of legal services
- Enhancing professional competence and ethics

For more information about The New York Bar Foundation, go to www.tnybf.org