

Black Women Lawyers Association of Tarrant County  
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## Charlye O. Farris Scholarship Application

The Black Women Lawyers Association of Tarrant County is pleased to offer the annual Charlye O. Farris Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. This scholarship honors the legacy of Charlye O. Farris, the first African American woman licensed to practice law in the state of Texas.

### Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- o Currently enrolled in an accredited law school or accepted for admission to a law school.
- o Submit the completed application attached.
- o In good academic standing.
- o Submit one (1) letter of recommendation from a professor, employer, or community leader.
- o Provide a transcript (unofficial transcripts accepted).
- o Provide verification of current enrollment or law school acceptance for Fall 2025.
- o List any known members of the Black Women Lawyers Association of Tarrant County.

### Application Process:

- o Applications must be postmarked by May 24, 2025.
- o A link to submit the application and upload all documents is available here:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScbvjIAbRmMHISw4SjJRI4pLPUKgjere31o3YWwzWs-JBK6lg/viewform>
- o Please do not use Express Mail or Next Day Delivery when submitting materials by mail.

### Scholarship Presentation:

Should you be awarded the scholarship, we request that all recipients attend our annual Hotter Than July Happy Hour that will take place on July 31, 2025, in Fort Worth, Texas. Location details will be shared at a later date.

For questions, please contact Valerie Baston at [bwloftarrant@yahoo.com](mailto:bwloftarrant@yahoo.com).

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Law School: \_\_\_\_\_

Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have any special or financial needs? If so, what are they? \_\_\_\_\_

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How would you use this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

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List any known members of the Black Women Lawyers Association of Tarrant County.

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Please submit your packet to the following address:

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Attn: Valerie Baston

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***Or*** email your packet to: [bwloftarrant@yahoo.com](mailto:bwloftarrant@yahoo.com) (Please indicate in the subject line ***YOUR NAME*** SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION)

Thank you.