

**2004**

**Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Foundation  
Awards for Outstanding Women Law Students**

The Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Foundation is pleased to announce that year-2004 awards have increased significantly in number and amount awarded, thanks to generous contributions from individuals, law firms, and corporations. A total of \$40,500 will be awarded statewide to 15 outstanding women law students attending Michigan's five accredited law schools. The following awards will be made this year:

**Ford Motor Company Fund Scholars:**

**One \$4,000 award at each school, sponsored by the Ford Motor Company Fund**

**Howard & Howard Scholar:**

**One \$2,500 award at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, sponsored by the Howard & Howard Community Reinvestment Fund**

**Justine Orris Scholar:**

**One \$2,000 award at Wayne State University Law School, sponsored by the Macomb Region WLAM**

**WLAM Foundation Scholars:**

**One \$2,000 award at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law;**

**One \$2,000 award at the Wayne State University Law School; and**

**Two \$2,000 awards at each other law school (University of Michigan Law School, Thomas M. Cooley Law School, Michigan State University - Detroit College of Law)**

**Additional information about the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Foundation, and law student awardees in prior years, is available at [www.wlamfoundation.org](http://www.wlamfoundation.org). A description of the award criteria and process follows.**

**Candidates for the awards must meet the following criteria:**

- woman law student, enrolled full or part-time;
- good academic standing; and
- (1) demonstrated leadership capabilities, (2) demonstrated community service in such areas as family law, child advocacy or domestic violence, or (3) demonstrated potential for advancing the position of women in society.

**Candidates for the WSU Law School “Justine Orris” award may meet the following additional criteria:**

- Macomb County resident preferred.

**Application Process:**

Each applicant for the WLAM Foundation Award must submit to her law school the following:

- an official copy of her law school transcript;
- a detailed letter of interest explaining how she meets award criteria;
- a resume; and
- letters of recommendation (up to three).

Each law school will collect applications, and rank candidates for approval by the Foundation Board. Highest rankings will result in the highest monetary awards. Students may apply for all awards at their school, as the award criteria are the same. The following deadlines are observed each year:

- students must apply in writing to their law school no later than October 15th;
- the law school will forward to the Foundation Board recommended awardees, no later than November 15th;
- the WLAM Foundation Board will review nominations by December 15th; and
- awards will be announced by January 15th.

**Awards on a school-by-school basis:**

<b>University of Michigan Law School:</b>	1 Ford Motor Company Fund Scholar (\$4,000); 2 WLAM Foundation Scholars (\$2,000 each).
<b>Wayne State University Law School:</b>	1 Ford Motor Company Fund Scholar (\$4,000); 1 Justine Orris Scholar (\$2,000); 1 WLAM Foundation Scholar (\$2,000).
<b>Univ. of Detroit Mercy School of Law:</b>	1 Ford Motor Company Fund Scholar (\$4,000); 1 Howard & Howard Scholar (\$2,500); 1 WLAM Foundation Scholar (\$2,000).
<b>Thomas M. Cooley Law School:</b>	1 Ford Motor Company Fund Scholar (\$4,000); 2 WLAM Foundation Scholars (\$2,000 each).
<b>Michigan State Univ. - DCL:</b>	1 Ford Motor Company Fund Scholar (\$4,000); 2 WLAM Foundation Scholars (\$2,000 each).