

FRANCES NEWELL CARR SCHOLARSHIP

Presented by Women Lawyers of Sacramento

DESCRIPTION OF SCHOLARSHIP: In 1992, Women Lawyers of Sacramento (“WLS”) established a scholarship in honor of Justice Frances Newell Carr. The daughter of migrant farm workers, Frances Newell Carr often switched schools and quickly learned to take advantage of whatever educational opportunities were available. Naturally competitive, she learned to cut more grapes than anyone else did by the time she was ten years old. She decided to become a lawyer because “all the important men were always lawyers.” She worked her way through college and law school, graduating from Boalt Hall School of Law in 1948. She and another woman classmate had difficulty finding employment until they found a lawyer who offered to let them both work full-time for a single \$200 a month salary. Frances Newell Carr was a founding member of WLS and its first president. In 1975, she became the first woman appointed to the Sacramento County Superior Court. Five years later, she was elevated to the Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, where she served until her death in 1991. The Frances Newell Carr Scholarship is awarded to a financially needy first or second year law student with an outstanding academic record. Special consideration is given to candidates who have overcome personal adversity.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP: Up to \$2,500

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: March 25, 2019

CRITERIA: This scholarship will be awarded to a financially needy student who currently is a first or second year law student (or third year in a four-year program) and has an outstanding academic record. Special consideration is given to candidates who have overcome personal adversity.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: If interested in applying for this scholarship, please e-mail the following information to Vanessa Raven, WLS Grants and Awards Committee Co-Chair, at vanessa.n.raven@gmail.com no later than March 25, 2019:

- 1) Name
- 2) Address
- 3) Phone Number
- 4) Email
- 5) Current resume, including academic record
- 6) List and describe affiliations with past and present organizations
- 7) Describe how you meet the criteria for the scholarship

The Frances Newell Carr Scholarship will be awarded April 25, 2019 at the WLS Luncheon at Lucca Restaurant.