

Founded in 1981, the mission of the WBA Foundation is to leverage the generosity of lawyers and friends to support nonprofits that serve the legal and related needs of women or girls in the DC metropolitan community.

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Women's Bar Association
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2026-2027 SPONSORSHIP CATALOGUE



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ABOUT THE WBA FOUNDATION

The Women's Bar Association Foundation's (WBAF) driving charitable mission is to support DC-based nonprofits that serve the legal and related needs of vulnerable and at-risk women or girls in the DC metropolitan community. The WBAF fulfills its mission by awarding grants and student fellowships generously funded by the local legal and broader community. Through these efforts, the WBAF supports its inspirational grant awardees, described in detail on page 9, and law student fellows who work for legal and social services organizations that align with our mission.

"This fellowship highlighted the critical importance of trauma-informed legal care, particularly for women and girls, as courts often overlook the complexities they face, leaving many without protection. Through my work at DV LEAP, I contributed to efforts to address these gaps and help establish legal precedents that reflect the full spectrum of survivors' experiences."


Yasmin Morales

American University Washington College of Law
2025 Founders Fellowship Recipient

Maximizing the reach and impact of WBAF sponsor funds community-wide, the WBAF carefully evaluates and thoughtfully funds multiple community-focused nonprofit organizations that provide essential services for local women or girls. The WBAF's grantees consist of an array of organizations: some large and well-known, others are smaller grassroots start-ups. Together they provide a comprehensive safety net for vulnerable populations of women and girls, ranging from children to the elderly, to recent immigrants and long-standing residents. Their approaches include obtaining immediate emergency orders to appellate advocacy.

To fund this critical effort, the WBAF holds three exciting events each year: a Wine Tasting and Silent Auction, a Grant Awards Ceremony, and an annual dinner that is co-sponsored with our sister organization, the Women's Bar Association. These events bring together WBAF supporters, members from our sister organization, the Women's Bar Association, colleagues, and friends to enjoy opportunities to celebrate, build community and, be inspired while supporting the WBAF's mission. We invite you to join us by sponsoring and participating in these events!

The WBA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Contributions are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.



WINE TASTING & SILENT AUCTION

Thursday, October 22, 2026, 6:00 - 8:00pm, Venable LLP

Held every October, this entertaining annual premier fundraiser supports WBAF grants, including the Founders Fellowship, an annual grant awarded to a local law school to fund a summer stipend for a law student to work with a local legal services provider on projects that benefit women or girls in the DC metropolitan community.

The celebratory networking evening features themed wine and food pairings and a brief presentation by a wine expert, as well as a silent auction with a variety of unique and exciting items in every price range, including original art, jewelry, sports tickets, getaways, restaurant gift certificates, gift baskets, and more.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

| | VIP LEVEL \$4,000 | RESERVE LEVEL \$3,000 | SELECT LEVEL \$2,000 | MAGNUM LEVEL \$1,000 | CHAMPAGNE LEVEL \$700 | WINE LEVEL \$350 |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Private reception with wine expert-led exclusive customized tasting for the first half-hour of the event, held in VIP-only restricted space, reserved for the entire evening | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| Exclusive attendee badges | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| Event attendee registrations | 12 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| Door prize tickets for each event attendee | 12 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| Sponsor representative introduces wine expert or wines (as determined by format) | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| Sponsor representative draws and announces door prize winners | No | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| Logo recognition in event program and on signage | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Name with link | Name |
| Logo and link included in promotional materials & on the event website | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Name with link | Name |
| Logo featured on auction website & in social media posts | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Name Only | No |
| Preview of online auction items for registrants; | 48 hours | 48 hours | 48 hours | 24 hours | No | No |
| Recognition from the podium at the event | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Opportunity to have a table display and/or provide giveaway items at the event | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | No |
| Ad in WBAF newsletter | 2 issues | 1 issue | No | No | No | No |
| Listing in post-event newsletter article and WBAF Annual Report | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |





GRANT AWARDS CEREMONY

Wednesday, March 3, 2027, 6:00 - 8:00pm, Hogan Lovells

Held every March, the WBAF’s Grant Awards Ceremony is where the WBAF excitedly recognizes its newly selected, inspirational grantees individually and collectively, via video, along with a networking reception and keynote speaker. The WBAF invites members of the legal community to this celebratory ceremony, free of charge.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

| | PLATINUM LEVEL \$3,000 | GOLD LEVEL \$2,000 | SILVER LEVEL \$1,000 | BRONZE LEVEL \$700 | WBAF* CHAMPION LEVEL \$350 | SUPPORTER (available to individuals only) \$100 |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Display table at the event | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| Opportunity to provide giveaways for attendees | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| Ad in WBAF newsletter | 2 issues | 1 issue | No | No | No | No |
| Recognition at the event | PPT loop, signage, from podium | PPT loop, signage, from podium | PPT loop, signage, from podium | PPT loop, signage | PPT loop, signage | PPT loop, signage |
| Listing on WBAF website and in standalone promo emails | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | No |
| Mention in post-event newsletter article | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |

*The WBAF Champion Level is named in honor of our WBA Foundation Champion Award recipient.





CORNERSTONE SPONSORSHIP

In addition to the opportunities to sponsor events individually, the WBAF is excited to offer a unique **Cornerstone Sponsorship**. This special category of consolidated sponsorship provides generous sponsors the **benefits from the highest sponsorship level for both the Wine Tasting & Silent Auction and Grant Awards Ceremony at the reduced rate of \$6,500.**

There are **additional benefits**, including acknowledgment on the WBAF's home page; recognition on the WBAF grantee infographic flyer; profile in the WBAF newsletter; quarterly social media shout-out; and a special gift of appreciation.





ANNUAL DINNER

Thursday, May 14, 2026 & May 2027 (TBD)

6:00 – 9:00 pm, National Building Museum

Honoring the Woman Lawyer of the Year

Every May, the WBAF and the Women’s Bar (WBA) association host a joint annual dinner that is one of the largest and most preeminent legal events in the DC area, attracting lawyers, judges, law students, and other WBA/WBAF supporters. Event highlights include presentation of the Woman Lawyer of the Year Award, remarks from the WBA and WBAF Presidents, inspirational keynote remarks, and a networking reception. Proceeds from the event support the WBAF grants program and the WBA’s nationally-recognized programming, which focuses on the professional development, advancement, and retention of women in the legal profession.

| | LEADERSHIP \$10,000 | BENEFACTOR \$7,500 | UNDERWRITER \$5,000 | PATRON \$2,000 | ADVOCATE \$1,000 | FRIEND \$300 |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| VIP table (seating priority based on time of sponsor commitment) | 8 tickets | 8 tickets | 8 tickets | 4 tickets | 2 tickets | 1 ticket |
| Tickets to VIP Reception (held prior to general reception) | 8 tickets | 2 tickets | No | No | No | No |
| Special gift for in-person guests | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| One-year memberships in the WBA (any level except Sustaining Member) | 4 | 2 | No | No | No | No |
| Ability to provide giveaway items for attendees | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| Name badge recognition | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Logo with link on event page | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Name with link | Name |
| Logo with link in all event promotion and announcement emails | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Name with link | Name |
| Logo on event signage | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| Logo in event sponsor loop | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Name | Name |
| Verbal recognition during program | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| Ad in dinner program | Full-page, premium placement | Full-page | No | No | No | No |
| Recognition in follow-up blog article | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Banner ad in News & Events bi-weekly email (number of months) | 6 | 4 | No | No | No | No |

Available only to firms/organizations with up to 20 local attorneys, and nonprofits

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HOW OUR 2026 GRANTEES ARE USING THEIR WBA FOUNDATION GRANTS TO SUPPORT THE LEGAL AND RELATED NEEDS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN DC

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Amara Legal Center

Provide sex trafficking survivors with legal services, including civil protection orders, family law, criminal record relief, name changes, and victim witness advocacy.



DC KinCare Alliance

PROJECT ADOPT represents relative caregivers trying to adopt the children they raise, and provides legal help to relative caregivers to obtain the rights, benefits, and services needed to ensure a safe and stable home for children whose parents can no longer care for them. PROJECT STAY provides immigrant parents with a way to safety plan for their U.S. citizen children to stay with trusted caregivers in the U.S. if their parents are deported or detained.



First Shift

Empower pregnant and caregiving workers in low wage jobs to exercise their rights related to caregiving and parenting.



Georgetown University Health Justice Alliance

The Perinatal Legal Assistance & Wellbeing (P-LAW) Project addresses the health-harming legal needs of pregnant and postpartum patients receiving care at MedStar Washington Hospital Center's Division of Women's and Infants Services.



The Human Trafficking Legal Center

The Diplomatic Trafficking Program is dedicated to combating the trafficking of domestic workers by diplomats and employees of international organizations.



Mother's Outreach Network

Empower Black mothers currently involved in, and at-risk for, their children's involvement in the child welfare system, with support to achieve economic independence, security, and mobility, and equip them with the skills necessary to navigate DC's complex legal, criminal, and foster care systems.



Tahiri Justice Center

Increase access to justice for immigrant women, girls, and other survivors of domestic and sexual violence by providing information, referrals, and free legal assistance to achieve outcomes such as stable immigration status, family reunification, and work authorization.



Volare

DV LEAP is a leader in survivor appellate advocacy; attorneys challenge unjust trial outcomes by litigating appeals, filing Amicus briefs, and fighting for survivor rights all the way to the Supreme Court.



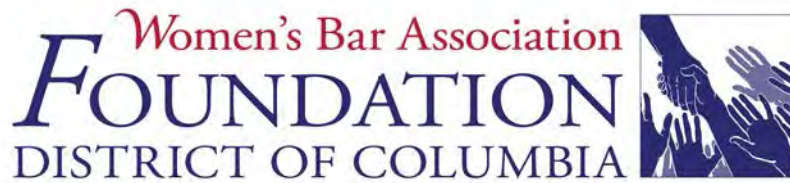
Volunteer Legal Advocates

Domestic Violence Program provides comprehensive trauma-informed legal, advocacy, and support services to low-income survivors of domestic violence and other forms of gender-based violence, focusing on Wards 5, 7 & 8.



YWCA National Capital Area

Empowered Communities Center provides legal education, emergency planning, and trusted support to help families understand their rights, prepare custodial documents if a parent is detained, and access individual consultations with immigration attorneys.



Sponsorship Commitment Form

WBAF Wine Tasting & Silent Auction

- VIP Level, \$4,000
- Reserve Level, \$3,000
- Select Level, \$2,000
- Magnum Level, \$1,000
- Champagne Level, \$700
- Wine Level, \$350

WBAF Grant Awards Ceremony

- Platinum Level, \$3,000
- Gold Level, \$2,000
- Silver Level, \$1,000
- Bronze Level, \$700
- WBAF Champion Level, \$350
- Supporter Level, \$100

WBAF Cornerstone

- Wine Tasting & Silent Auction VIP Level
& Grant Awards Ceremony Platinum
Level, \$6,500

WBA/WBAF Annual Dinner

- Leadership Level, \$10,000
- Benefactor Level, \$7,500
- Underwriter Level, \$5,000
- Patron Level, \$2,000
- Advocate Level, \$1,000
- Friend Level, \$300

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Contact Name:

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Contact Email:

Amount Due: \$

Payment: Check Enclosed Credit Card Invoice Me

Credit Card Number: Expiration Date: CVV:

Name on Card: Cardholder's Signature:

Email this form to info@wbacfoundation.org. Questions, email or call (202-639-8880).
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