The Reiter & Walsh, P.C. “Birth Trauma, Neonatal Injury and Disability” Scholarship Application Form

One scholarship for financial assistance in the amount of $1,000 financial aid to be awarded to one high school, undergraduate or graduate university student who is influenced, in any way, by birth trauma, neonatal injury and disability.

Because of our firm’s unique area of legal focus on birth injury, we’re able to work with children, clients, experts, charities, and other professionals in this field. While their experiences and expertise vary greatly, they are all brought together by birth trauma. Below is a list of applicants we've received in the past--however, we encourage any student who has been influenced by birth trauma, neonatal injury and disability to apply. These groups include, but are not limited to:

- Students who experienced a birth injury
- Students who have an immediate family member with a birth injury
- Medical, nursing or rehabilitative medicine/therapy students focusing on birth injury/disability rehabilitation and care
  - Neonatal nursing students
  - Medical and medical research students
  - Pediatric therapy and rehabilitation students
  - Disability caregiving students
- Adaptive recreation specialists
- Students studying, or aspiring to study, special education teaching, policy or law
- Any other academic pursuit, goal, or experience that relates to birth injury, neonatal injuries and/or disability

The 2018 scholarship will be awarded to a single applicant who submits the following required items by July 31, 2018.
Applicant Information

Name (Last, First, Middle): _______________________________________________________

Are you a U.S. citizen or otherwise authorized to work in the United States? ___Yes ___No

Name and city of the university you are attending or are planning to attend:
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Current mailing address (Street, Apt. # City, State, Zip code):
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Telephone #: ________________________________

E-Mail: _______________________________________

Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

• Be a U.S citizen or permanent resident
• Applicant must not be a past, present or future client of Reiter & Walsh, P.C.
• Applicant must:
  o Be currently enrolled in high school, college, or a graduate program and
  o Have either personally sustained a birth injury (see our Practice Areas for a list of injuries) or have an immediate family member affected by a birth injury, or be influenced in another explainable way by birth injury, neonatal injury, or disability.
• Have a GPA of at least 2.75
**Requirements**

Applicants must submit by 5 p.m. (CST) July 31, 2018:

1. This completed application

2. A certified copy of the student’s academic records
   - **For high school students**: Provide (1) High school transcripts and (2) enrollment records.
   - **For high school students entering an undergraduate program**: Provide (1) high school transcripts and (2) acceptance letters to your undergraduate institution.
   - **For current undergraduate or graduate students**: Provide current transcripts from the institution you are currently attending.
   - **For those entering a graduate program**: Provide your undergraduate transcripts and acceptance letter to your graduate program.
   - **For those currently in a graduate program**: Provide your graduate program transcripts and evidence of thesis or dissertation (if applicable).

3. Evidence of diagnosis from doctor or medical center (if applicable)

4. The Project: One (1) of the following two options:
   - An essay not exceeding two typed, single-spaced pages describing:
     - The applicant’s relation to birth trauma, neonatal injury and/or disability.
     - Examples of topics may include:
       - The birth injury sustained by the student or his/her family member (if applicable)
       - How birth injury, neonatal injury, and/or disability has affected the student’s life
   - A different creative project describing the above. Examples can include, but are not limited to:
     - Photo projects
     - Video or other multimedia presentations
     - Creative writing
     - Performance pieces

5. A short explanation of what they plan to do with the scholarship funds. Examples may include:
   - Use of scholarship funds for **tuition** in higher education (for high school seniors accepted into college, undergraduate applicants and graduate applicants)
   - For applicants who plan to apply the funds to non-tuition purposes such as other **academic pursuits** (such as camps, enrichment courses, or other programs) or **personal projects** (such as the development of new technology, charity projects, etc.):
     - Applicant must clearly outline the following:
       - Purpose of project
       - Demonstrable benefit of project
       - A clear step-by-step execution plan
Reiter & Walsh, P.C. will use applicant’s essay to share our winners’ stories. Do you give us permission and copyright to use your essay story on our website? Circle **Yes** or **No**.

If you circled yes, how would you like attribution? Please circle one:

1) Full Name  
2) First Name & Last Initial  
3) Do not use my essay
### Academic Information

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Current Major(s): ____________________________________________

**Highlight honors or awards that you have received:**

**Is there any other relevant information you want us to consider when reviewing your application?**

**Please tell us how you learned about our scholarship program:**
Award

Scholarship is to be used for undergraduate/graduate tuition (and/or related academic expenses), or for projects that show demonstrable benefit to individuals with birth injuries or disabilities. A check for $1,000 will be made payable to the award recipient’s school or program to cover these expenses. The 2018 winner will be notified by Aug. 31, 2018.

Winner provides personal information, as needed, to Reiter & Walsh, P.C. and authorizes the firm to publish his or her name and photo, the name of the university or law school, and the winning essay or project on one or more of the firm’s websites and other marketing materials.

Certification

The undersigned scholarship applicant hereby grants permission to use his/her name and to quote his/her essay (in whole or in part) or use his/her entry (in whole or in part) in all promotional and other activities relating to the scholarship, including, but not limited to, publication in written materials, posting on websites and other social media platforms, and use in radio and television broadcasts. In the event that a scholarship applicant participates in any promotional or other activity relating to the scholarship, the applicant authorizes Reiter & Walsh, P.C. to use, re-use, publish, re-publish, and copyright audio and/or visual reproductions of the applicant's voice and/or image, alone or with other persons, with or without use of the applicant's name.

Any taxes on scholarship are the sole responsibility of the contestant.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided on this Application Form and in any attached materials is true and complete.

Applicant Signature: _____________________________________________

Date: ___________________
**Submission Instructions**

The completed application, essay or multimedia project and certified transcript should be emailed to:

Krissy Pollock and Rachel Stokes  
[Subject Line] Scholarship Application Materials  
kpollock@abclawcenters.com and rstokes@abclawcenters.com

For materials that cannot be sent electronically (such as official transcripts or certain creative projects), applicants may send materials to:

The Scholarship Committee  
Attn: Scholarship Application (Birth Trauma, Neonatal Injury and Disability Scholarship)  
Reiter & Walsh, P.C.  
Bloomfield Hills Office  
122 Concord Road  
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