WSBA Criminal Law Section Scholarships for 2012 Criminal Justice Institute

Application deadline: September 15, 2012

Criteria and Guidelines:

The WSBA Criminal Law Section will award up to 10 scholarships for the 2012 Criminal Justice Institute. Recipients of scholarships for the 2009, 2010 and/or 2011 Criminal Justice Institute are **not** eligible for scholarship consideration this year. Five of the scholarships will be awarded to attorneys who are full time prosecutors or who are closely affiliated with law enforcement. Five of the scholarships will be awarded to attorneys who spend 80% or more of their practice dedicated to criminal defense.

Each scholarship recipient will receive a complimentary registration to the program. Scholarship recipients will be responsible for paying any additional expenses for attending (e.g. travel, lodging, and meals). The Criminal Law Section shall reimburse the Criminal Justice Institute from a Section account for each such scholarship registration for the tuition rate. Scholarship recipients will receive an expense report form for use in requesting reimbursement that will be paid from Section funds.

Individuals eligible for the scholarship may not be a current member of the Criminal Law Section Executive Committee and must meet the following criteria:

(a) be an attorney who is currently a member in good standing of the Washington State Bar Association, or

(b) indicate in writing why they should receive a scholarship. The applicants should demonstrate a financial need for the scholarship in their request.

If sufficient attorney applications are not received, law students may also be considered.

The chair of the Criminal Law Section or his delegate shall select the scholarship recipients based upon review of all applications received. Special consideration will be given to all geographic areas within the state. Applications must be received no later than **September 15, 2012**. All successful recipients will be notified by a representative of the Criminal Law Section at least 10 business days prior to the program. If an applicant has not received notice of receiving a scholarship by that date, he or she will not receive further notice and should make alternative plans for program registration.

To Apply
To apply for a scholarship, please submit a letter of application stating how you meet the necessary criteria by **September 15, 2012** to both:

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