

Rural Law Practice Grant PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Kansas Farm Bureau Legal Foundation Rural Law Practice Grant is a \$16,500 grant to help defray the educational costs of law school and to encourage new attorneys to locate their legal practice in rural Kansas. The grant furthers the mission of the KFB Legal Foundation to provide legal information and advocacy to farmer and rancher members, unlocking their potential and improving their quality of life in rural Kansas.

- Who is eligible?: Law students in the fall semester before their anticipated graduation date, and who intend to practice law in rural Kansas, can apply for the grant. Rural Kansas is defined as any county which is not one of the top 5 most populous counties in Kansas (i.e. not Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee, Wyandotte, or Douglas Counties).
- **How to apply:** Applicants should complete the application and submit it along with a résumé, transcript and letter of recommendation, during the fall semester before their anticipated graduation date.
- **Deadline to apply:** Applications for the grant are accepted on and between September 1 and November 1 of an applicant's final fall semester before their anticipated graduation date.
- **Details of grant award:** Up to three (3) grant recipients will be selected each year. Grant selections will be at the discretion of The Kansas Farm Bureau Legal Foundation board, and will be based on completed applications received during the application period. Among other criteria, The Kansas Farm Bureau Legal Foundation board will be looking for applicants who can demonstrate a strong desire to live and work in rural Kansas, an understanding of the legal issues commonly faced by farmers and ranchers in rural Kansas, high academic achievement, as well as financial need.

Grant recipients will receive payment of the grant in three (3) equal installments. The first \$5,500 installment will be paid when a recipient has graduated, successfully passed the bar examination, and begun the practice of law in rural Kansas. The second and third installments will be paid following proof of recipient's continued practice of law in rural Kansas for 12 and 24 months, respectively.

Questions?: Any questions should be directed to:

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Instructions: Applicants should complete this application form and submit it, along with a résumé, letter of recommendation, and law school transcript, online <u>at this site</u>,¹ on or between September 1 and November 1 of their final fall semester prior to their anticipated graduation date.

CONTACT INFORM Applicant's full na Mailing street or City: Telephone #: Law school attend City you intend to	ame: PO address:	State	: Zip code: Email address: Anticipated graduation (MM/YY):
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¹ https://form.jotform.com/kfbforms/rural-law-practice-grant

Include an essay in the space below describing your interest in practicing law in rural Kansas and how that could positively impact the community where you plan to practice. You may also provide information about your financial need for grant assistance. (Do not exceed the space provided below.)