

ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
PUBLIC INTEREST LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Complete and submit this application with all required documentation **no later than May 1st** to:

Roger Williams University School of Law
Office of Financial Aid
10 Metacom Avenue
Bristol, RI 02809

Borrower Information

Name: _____

Address: _____
 Street City State ZIP

Telephone: _____
 Home Work Cell

Email Address: _____

Roger Williams University School of Law graduation date: _____
 month / year

Bar Admission State(s): _____ Sworn in on: _____
 month / year

- ☐ I have received PILRAP funding previously:
 Month / year: _____
 Amount: _____
- ☐ I have **not** received PILRAP funding previously

Public Interest Law Employer Information

Employer: _____

Position/Title: _____ Start Date: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Please describe the type of work you are doing for your employer:

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Borrower's Debt

Educational Debt: *(Attach documentation for each educational loan)*

| Student Loan Lender | Total Amount of Debt | Monthly Payment | Total of Monthly Payments Due This Year |
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Total education debt you owe: \$ _____ Total **legal education** debt you owe: \$ _____

Other household debt/expenses: *(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)*

| Type of Debt | Total Amount of Debt | Amount Due This Year |
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Total additional household debt/expenses: \$ _____

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Borrower's Income

Borrower's total annual income from public interest law salary: _____

Borrower's total annual income: _____

Spouse or Partner's annual income: _____

Other reasonably anticipated household income: _____

Nature of income _____ Amount of income _____

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Borrower's Assets

Indicate below the total value of assets that you and the members of your household will own during the year, including home equity, bank accounts, securities, and similar assets.

- ☐ less than \$5,000
- ☐ \$5,000-\$25,000
- ☐ \$25,000-\$50,000
- ☐ more than \$50,000

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Long term goals

Describe briefly the connection between your employment in the field of public interest law and your long term career goals.

Prior commitment to public service

Describe briefly any activities that demonstrate your prior commitment to public service.

Law School Career

Describe briefly any features of your law school career that you believe should be considered in evaluating your application, including academic performance, courses taken, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Career Plans

Check the statement below that most accurately reflects your current career plans.

- ☐ I intend to remain employed in the field of public interest law throughout my career
- ☐ I intend to remain employed in public interest law for at least the next 5 years
- ☐ I intend to remain employed in public interest law for at least the next 2 years

I swear or affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the statements I have made in this application are true and I understand the Rules of the Public Interest Loan Repayment Assistance Program of RWU Law and agree to abide by the terms of the Rules. The above information is being submitted in application for assistance through the RWU Law Public Interest Loan Repayment Assistance Program. I agree to use any funds awarded to me through this program for repayment of educational loans. I authorize the RWU Law Financial Aid Office to use this information to verify federal loan balances via the National Student Loan Database System. PILRAP Administrator of any increase or other material changes in my financial condition.

Signature

Date

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Required Documentation

- ☐ A letter from your public interest law employer, on employer's letterhead, which includes your name, a descriptive statement of the position held, dates of employment, salary or other compensation received from employment, salary for the upcoming year (if available), the office's address, and the name of its director or other contact persons. Note that a the employer must be either (a) a nonprofit organization with tax exemption status under IRS Code Section 501(c)(3); (b) a qualifying local, state or federal government agency; or (c) an employer approved by the PILRAP Committee.
- ☐ Lender statements for all your outstanding educational loans indicating the total amount due, the current monthly payment amount, and the status of the loan (i.e., in repayment, deferred, overdue, etc.)
- ☐ A signed copy of your federal income tax return for the most recent calendar year. If you were not employed in your present position during the most recent calendar year, you must submit your most recent pay stub.
- ☐ Spouse's or partner's federal income tax return (if not filed jointly) for the most recent calendar year, and a statement of the amount of the spouse's educational loan repayments, if applicable.

If you have previously received PILRAP funding, you must provide all of the above listed documentation plus:

- ☐ Proof of your prior year's student loan repayment **in an amount equal to or greater than the prior year's PILRAP loan amount.** This proof must include repayment obligation/yearly amount required by lender(s), amounts paid to lender(s), and dates of payments.

Please note that the PILRAP Committee may ask you to provide clarification or follow-up documentation.