

President Gregg Zive and the NCBJ-NBA Liaison Committee  
are soliciting applications for the Annual NCBJ  
Honorable Cornelius Blackshear Presidential Fellowship Recipients

At the September NCBJ Board meeting in Phoenix, the Board unanimously approved a Resolution to present annually a stipend/scholarship totaling \$2,500.00 for the cost of travel and registration for one or more minority attorney(s) to attend the NCBJ Annual Meeting.<sup>1</sup> The Fellowship was established in honor of Judge Neil Blackshear, Southern District of New York Bankruptcy (ret.). A copy of the Resolution listing Neil's extensive public service record and enduring contribution to bankruptcy jurisprudence can be found at [www.ncbj.org](http://www.ncbj.org).

The selection criteria that will be used by the president to make the award to the recipient(s) are as follows:

- (1) a substantial part of attorney's practice is in bankruptcy law, and
- (2) the attorney is involved in a solo, small firm or government practice, and
- (3) he/she would not otherwise be able to attend the annual meeting of NCBJ because of financial constraints.

The application form for the NCBJ Honorable Cornelius Blackshear Presidential Fellowship is attached to this announcement.

Judges are encouraged to announce the availability of the Blackshear Presidential Fellowship at their local bar associations.

Attorneys wishing to apply for the stipend should complete the form and return it to the NCBJ Executive Director, Chris Molick (email: [cjmolick@sc.rr.com](mailto:cjmolick@sc.rr.com) or fax: 803-749-4116) no later than **August 28, 2009**.

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<sup>1</sup> If the NCBJ President decides to award the stipend to more than one recipient, the \$2,500.00 will be divided between the recipients as determined by the President.

**Hon. Cornelius Blackshear Fellowship  
Application Form**

**Please complete the form and return it to the NCBJ Executive Director, Chris Molick no later than August 28, 2009.**

Name of the Blackshear Fellow Applicant (first, middle initial, last name and title): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's home address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's home telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Candidate's office telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's business address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's fax number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Educational background (name(s) of college(s)/university(ies), location(s), degrees and dates of graduation)  
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Professional background (include in this section the organizations for which the nominee has worked throughout his career and positions, beginning with the most recent). **Curriculum, Vitae, Resume or similar documentation may be substituted**

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Any special awards or other recognitions the applicant has received \_\_\_\_\_  
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Professional, civic and community affiliations \_\_\_\_\_  
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Hobbies and/or special interests \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature of Applicant

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Date