Gulnara A. Kalikova Scholarship for 2023/2024

Kalikova & Associates, one of the leading law firms in the Kyrgyz Republic, is pleased to announce that our regular call for applications for the Gulnara A. Kalikova scholarship for the academic year 2023/2024 starts from June 2, 2023.

The scholarship was founded in 2021 by the current shareholders of Kalikova & Associates law firm in honor of its founder, Ms. Gulnara A. Kalikova, an eminent and respected lawyer in the Kyrgyz Republic. Ms. Gulnara A. Kalikova holds a PhD in Jurisprudence, is the first-ever Kyrgyz citizen to receive an academic degree from Harvard Law School, the author of many articles and analytical notes in the field of law, state governance, economics and education.

Scholarship amount: USD 900

Pay period: during 9 academic months without the right for further renewal, with monthly allotments of USD 100 (in KGS equivalent at the NBKR exchange rate as of the payment date) payable each month from September 2023 to May 2024 inclusive.

Selection criteria: The scholarship applicants must be citizens of the Kyrgyz Republic who at the date of application are 2–5-year students (in person form of study) of the law departments of the higher education institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic and meet the following selection criteria:

- high academic performance (especially in legal subjects), cumulative average grade (GPA) should be not less than 3.0 or its equivalent in other performance indicator type (in case of the five-point grading scale, the final grades in legal subjects should not be less than 4) as per the standards of each university;
- active involvement in academic/student conferences, courts game, publications, working in legal clinics, and/or taking internships in the field of jurisprudence, in the public life of the law department and/or university (volunteering experience will be an advantage);
- intermediate level of English proficiency;
- readiness to pass an internship at Kalikova & Associates.

* Applications from students from regions and/or low-income backgrounds are encouraged.

Selection stages: The competition consists of the following stages:

- Acceptance and review of applications and necessary documents from applicants;
- English language test and interview with shortlisted applicants.

To participate in the scholarship competition, please send the following documents in electronic format <u>either</u> in English or in Russian to <u>office@ka.legal</u> by September 30, 2023, indicating in the subject line "Gulnara A. Kalikova Scholarship":

- 1 Motivation letter
- 2 CV
- 3 Copy of the transcript
- 4 One recommendation letter from a professor
- 5 Other additional documents are optional (e.g. articles, conference presentations, TOEFL, IETLS test results or other similar documents, etc.)

Important dates:

- June 2 start of accepting scholarship applications
- September 30 deadline for submission of scholarship applications
- September 30 October 14 screening applications, compiling a short list of applicants, English language test, interviewing short-listed applicants
- October 15 announcement of scholarship competition results on <u>www.k-a.kg</u> and/or social media accounts of Kalikova & Associates

*The scholarship payment for September will be combined with the payment for October