

## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Gerard L. Pellegrini** was a renowned trial lawyer who established a reputation for excellence in representing working people in Western Massachusetts and throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In 1957, he founded the law firm of Pellegrini, Seeley, Ryan & Blakesley, P.C. He died in 2015, after having practiced for 50 years. Sixty years after its founding, the firm continues his legacy of advocating for injured people in courts and administrative agencies throughout Massachusetts.

As a way of commemorating the 60th anniversary of the law firm, its attorneys and staff created the **Gerard L. Pellegrini Scholarship**. The scholarship program recognizes Mr. Pellegrini's commitment to working people by awarding grants to members of locals affiliated with the Western Mass Area Labor Federation (formerly the Pioneer Valley Central Labor Council), or members' spouses or legal dependents. A total of \$5,000.00 in grants will be made. Grants are available to students for college education and for trade apprenticeships.

In further recognition of the importance of organized labor in our society and economy, applicants will be reviewed, in part, based upon creation of an essay to answer the question "*What do you consider the most important problem facing working families today and why?*" The criteria for selection of grant recipients will include: a.) quality of essay creation, b.) participation in extracurricular activities (including work) and c.) grades/grade point average.

Scholarship applications will be available through the Western Mass Area Labor Federation, (640 Page Blvd, Springfield, MA 01104, Phone 413-732-7970) or by contacting Pellegrini, Seeley, Ryan & Blakesley, P.C. (1145 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01103, Phone 413-452-1214).

The **application deadline is June 24, 2022** with awards on or about July 1, 2022.

For more information, contact Scholarship Committee via 413-452-1214 or WMALF via 413-732-7970.



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PLEASE FILL OUT THE REQUIRED INFORMATION BELOW AND FORWARD ALONG WITH A COPY OF YOUR GRADES TO: THE GLP SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE C/O CAROL RICKLESS, 640 PAGE BLVD, SPRINGFIELD, MA 01104 BY June 24, 2022.

TO BE ELIGIBLE, AN APPLICANT MUST BE A MEMBER OF A CONSTITUENT LABOR ORGANIZATION OF THE WESTERN MASS AREA LABOR FEDERATION, OR THE SPOUSE OR LEGAL DEPENDENT OF SUCH A MEMBER.

**Applicant's Information**

Applicant's Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**Labor Union Member's Information**

**Check One:**

I am  My father is  My mother is  My spouse is  I am a legal dependent of a member of a constituent labor organization of the Western Mass Labor Federation.

Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of Labor Union and Local \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Background Information**

I graduated or will graduate from:

Name of High School or College \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

What is your plan for college or apprenticeship: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your extra-curricular activities: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your community service/volunteer activities: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your work experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received honors, awards, achievements? \_\_\_\_\_

