

OUR 2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT

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Daddy's Little Girl Essay



I plan to be a Criminal Defense Attorney by the age of 26. With that being said, education is not optional. As we all know, college is not cheap, nor does my mother have a college fund set aside for me. When I was four, my grandmother passed away from a heart attack, leaving my mom with a choice to raise five children; her four younger siblings as well as me. That is the foundation on why I believe I should be the recipient of the "Daddy's Little Girl Scholarship". I want to be able to repay her for her many sacrifices and choices she made by graduating college and law school with as little as debt as possible.

Throughout my life, my mom has always made a way. Times did get tough, but we could never tell because we were never left without. Becoming successful as soon as possible, by finishing college straight through is my mother's only request. My mom has done her job as far as providing a good education for her siblings and I because we all have graduated high school at a point of time and began furthering our education at a college institution. My mom set us up to succeed, but it was/is our job to follow through. Sadly, I am the last child with the opportunity to finish through college. The lack of finance was the main reason for all of her siblings to not finish; however, they did not take advantage of the scholarship opportunities. Another reason I believe I should be considered for this scholarship is because I put in a lot of work and am very determined to succeed in life. Not only do I need the money, but I also plan to give back and start my own scholarship fund when I get settled in my career. I plan to graduate not only with my bachelor's degree, but further my education into earning my Juris Doctorate, and being in an excessive amount of student loan debt would be a major roadblock in my near future. There will still be opportunities, but it would definitely be limited. I plan to be not only a Criminal Defense Attorney, but one of the best to positively change lives and give young black females that come from a rural area background a role model to show that anything is possible. Scholarships are a huge contributor to my academic career, and I hope to be considered for the "Daddy's Little Girl Scholarship".

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