

STATE BAR OF TEXAS - PARALEGAL DIVISION

TAPS 2026 SCHOLARSHIP

For the 2026 Texas Advanced Paralegal Seminar (TAPS), the PARALEGAL DIVISION of the State Bar of Texas will award up to two (2) educational scholarships for the cost of the three-day CLE registration to attend TAPS 2026 -- **TAPS CLE – A LONE STAR LEGEND** on September 30 – October 2, 2026, in San Antonio, Texas.

GUIDELINES:

1. Financial need shall be a contributing factor, but not a requirement. However, if two or more applicants are tied in meeting the criteria for the scholarship, financial need shall be the determining factor.
2. Recipient(s) are required to volunteer a minimum of three (3) hours on-site during the TAPS event.
3. Recipient(s) may not have been awarded the TAPS Scholarship within the past five (5) years.
4. No money will be sent directly to the Recipient(s).
5. The scholarship for TAPS shall cover the cost of the three-day CLE registration and does **not** include socials, travel, or hotel expenses.
6. The selection committee for the TAPS Scholarship shall be composed of the Chair of the TAPS Planning Committee, and two (2) Planning Committee members selected by the TAPS Scholarship Chair.

TO APPLY FOR THE 2026 TAPS SCHOLARSHIP:

1. Applicant must be a current member (or apply for membership) of the Paralegal Division, State Bar of Texas.
2. Applicant must submit a written essay on the topic: **“Don’t Hang Your Hat on AI – or UPL Can Get Ya!”** **NOTE:** The essay must be two (2) pages in length, in a font no greater than 12-point, and double-spaced.
3. Applicant must provide two (2) letters of personal references which describe the applicant’s involvement in the paralegal profession.

The Paralegal Division of the State Bar of Texas will award scholarships for TAPS 2026 to cover the cost of the three-day CLE registration in accordance with the TAPS scholarship guidelines.

► TAPS 2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ◀

**** APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2026 ****

Name _____ PD Membership # _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Home Address _____

Employer _____ Work Phone # _____

Work Address _____

Are you a member of a local paralegal organization that offers a scholarship award? _____

Give a detailed description of your reason for seeking a scholarship for TAPS 2026: _____

IMPORTANT: Attach two (2) personal references AND your written essay to this application. Submit to the attention of: Scholarship Chair, at: TAPSScholarship@txpd.org. Recipient(s) will be notified by August 10, 2026, and must accept and be registered for TAPS 2026 by August 21, 2026.

DATE

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

Attach any additional explanations for your financial need.