

ALABAMA LAW FOUNDATION

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The Kids' Chance Scholarship Fund was conceived by the Workers' Compensation Section of the Alabama State Bar in 1992, and is administered by the Alabama Law Foundation. Kids' Chance scholarships are funded solely by contributions from corporations, organizations and individuals.

Hard Work, Hope and Help

Jennifer Wiggins spends a lot of time at Auburn University Montgomery. In addition to finishing her course work for her degree in Graphic Design, she works as an assistant graphic designer in the AUM administration offices. Jennifer's long days and hard work will pay off soon: in May 2007, Jennifer will graduate with a B.A. in Graphic Design and a minor in Marketing. However, even with all her efforts, Jennifer says she is "not sure I could have afforded to attend AUM without the help from Kids' Chance scholarships."

Jennifer is eligible for Kids' Chance because her father suffered disabling injuries to his neck, upper body and right leg while working in a rail yard. Jennifer and her brother were small children at the time of the accident. She says that regardless of her father's disability, both of her parents have always been committed to creating a good life and the promise of a good future for her and her brother. Her mother works full time for the City of Montgomery and is also a church pianist. Sometimes when bills accumulated, Jennifer's mother took on a third job while Jennifer's father supervised the children at home.

Jennifer says both her parents were determined that she and her brother would attend college. However, she recalls that there were several semesters that expenses seemed overwhelming. In an arts program, tuition is only part of the cost. Books and supplies can easily run \$250 or more per class. Jennifer explains that her mother has a strong will and always assured Jennifer that she would be able to have

what she needed for class. However, without the help from Kids' Chance, Jennifer knows that the tuition and other expenses for her education would have been "an almost unbearable burden on my family."

In addition to the accomplishment of graduating from college, Jennifer has gained a measure of confidence from earning her degree. In discussing work as a graphic designer, she says she has learned from her marketing courses to help clients communicate their ideas while at the same time creating images that maintain her own voice and thoughts. She is considering applying to a master's degree program, and she plans to move out of her parents' home to live on her own. Her college experience, inside and outside the classroom, has taught her to stay focused, to think clearly as well as creatively, and to trust that any challenge can be faced.

When Jennifer receives her diploma in May, she will join the ranks of close to forty other Kids' Chance graduates. Like the other young graduates who have received scholarships from Kids' Chance, Jennifer will have reached her goal through her own abilities and hard work, the love and support of her family, and the hope and help from Kids' Chance.



Jennifer Wiggins, Kids' Chance recipient, takes a quick break between classes and work at AUM.



(L-R) Robert, Rosaura & Leslie Newton, ASIA (Alabama Self-Insurers Association) president Tim Huffman & Tracy Daniel, Executive Director Alabama Law Foundation. Leslie received a Kids' Chance scholarship and will be attending the University of South Alabama where she plans to study Elementary Education. Leslie was eligible for Kids' Chance because her father's hands are permanently damaged from an on-the-job accident. Leslie and her family live in Flomaton, AL. ASIA presented a \$10,000 check to Kids' Chance.

KIDS' CHANCE SCHOLARSHIP *Winners*

This year, the Alabama Law Foundation proudly announces that twenty-eight Alabama students are recipients of Kids' Chance scholarships. Without Kids' Chance, these young people might not have the opportunity to reach their dreams of continuing their education. This year's Kids' Chance awards totaled \$31,000. Since its inception 14 years ago, the successful program has awarded over \$340,000 to more than 100 students.

The following students received Kids' Chance scholarships this year:

Lisa Marie Adkins, *Sand Rock*

Kelly Randall Blackwell, *Jasper*

Justin Michael Boyles, *Russellville*

Keslie Paige Boyles, *Russellville*

Staci Nicole Carroll, *Duncanville*

Christopher Terry Cupit, *Demopolis*

Robert Derek Fondren, *Coker*

Jacques Tremaine George, *Thomasville*

Ashley Virginia Hicks, *Coosada*

Kendall Leigh Hollen, *Southside*

Jarrold D. Jones, *Madison*

Morgan Katherine Jones, *Huntsville*

Ramsey Danielle King, *Moulton*

Micah Joanna Lassiter, *Butler*

Lauren Tyler Maddox, *Pleasant Grove*

Tara Michele Manley, *Rogersville*

April Lee McGowan, *Morris*

Ashley Jade Montgomery, *Florence*

Leslie Rosaura Newton, *Flomaton*

Maya N. Pace, *Birmingham*

Terrence Markeal Patterson, *Sweet Water*

Kayla Renee Peeks, *Morris*

Kimberly Brooke Peeks, *Morris*

Mallory Fayre Rhodes, *Killen*

Brittany Ann Russell, *Toney*

Jordan Squires, *Semmes*

Emily Jessica Terry, *Leighton*

Jennifer Louise Wiggins, *Montgomery*

Kids' Chance scholarships provide college tuition or technical training to young people whose parent or parents have been permanently disabled or killed on the job.

KIDS' CHANCE SCHOLARSHIP



(L-R) Tracy Daniel, Executive Director of the Alabama Law Foundation accepts a \$12,800 check for Kids' Chance from Wendy Thorton, Chairwoman of the Workers' Compensation Section of the Alabama Bar. The Alabama Law Foundation appreciates their support and acknowledges their part in the success of Kids' Chance.



Justice Janie L. Shores

Contributions may be sent to the Alabama Law Foundation.

For more information on the Justice Janie L. Shores Scholarship, contact:

*Tracy Daniel,
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A NEW SCHOLARSHIP: The Justice Janie L. Shores Scholarship

In July, the Alabama Law Foundation and the Woman's Section of the Alabama State Bar established the Justice Janie L. Shores Scholarship, named in honor of the first female Alabama Supreme Court Justice.

The Justice Janie L. Shores Scholarship is awarded to one or more female Alabama residents attending an Alabama law school. Mary Margaret Bailey, chairwoman of the Women's Section of the Alabama State Bar, explained "the Women's Section of the State Bar wanted to do something positive to benefit women lawyers in Alabama. A scholarship seemed to be the perfect vehicle for accomplishing this because it would not only help women entering the profession, but also unite women already in the profession."

Justice Shores was elected to Alabama's highest court in 1974. "We chose to honor Justice Shores...because she has accomplished so many groundbreaking achievements in the legal field and has been such a great role model for the women who have followed in her footsteps," Bailey said.

Justice Janie L. Shores has received numerous professional and civic awards including the Alabama State Bar Commissioners' Award of Merit in 1998. Justice Shores was a professor at the Cumberland School of Law. She graduated from the University of Alabama School of Law with honors and received her LL.M. from the University of Virginia.

To begin funding the scholarship, the Alabama State Bar's Women Section held a silent auction during the Alabama State Bar's annual meeting in July and raised over \$7,000. Bailey speaks excitedly about the scholarship, "The Justice Janie L. Shores Scholarship Fund will be a perpetual project that we can all contribute to and all work together to raise money to help the fund grow through the years."

Attorneys Insurance Mutual debentures are another way you can help the Alabama Law Foundation make a difference. As the debentures are redeemed, the proceeds are split to fund the projects of the Alabama Law Foundation and the Alabama Lawyers Assistance Foundation. For forms and additional information please contact Tracy Daniel at **334.269.1515.**



*The Days Are Getting Shorter
The Nights Are Getting Cooler
The Holidays Are Getting Closer!*

Make a donation now to the Alabama Law Foundation on the behalf of clients or others you want to remember for the Holiday Season. Just send us your list and we'll send each person a letter with the glad tidings that a contribution has been made in their name. It is a wonderful way to give in the true spirit of the holidays.

Contributors

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Justice Janie L. Shores Scholarship

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Alabama Law Foundation, Inc.

Montgomery, Alabama

Statements of Financial Position at March 31, 2006 and 2005

	<i>2006</i>	<i>2005</i>
Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$778,933	\$365,564
Prepaid expenses	2,805	1,250
Investments	1,777,046	1,527,766
IOLTA Revenue Receivable	52,766	53,751
Contributions Receivable	253,501	78,315
Property and Equipment (less accumulated depreciation of \$22,956 and \$18,543)	27,748	4,808
Total Assets	\$2,892,799	\$2,031,454
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$31,484	\$24,520
Grants Payable	249,000	177,700
Lease Payable	7,794	
Total Liabilities	288,278	202,220
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	1,763,700	1,422,592
Temporarily Restricted	542,385	406,642
Permanently Restricted	298,436	
Total Net Assets	2,604,521	1,829,234
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$2,892,799	\$2,031,454

2006

Alabama Law Foundation, Inc.

Statement of Activities and Change in Net Assets for the Years Ended March 31, 2006 (with comparative totals for 2005)

	<i>2006</i>				<i>2005</i>
	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Temporarily Restricted</i>	<i>Permanently Restricted</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>
Revenues and Other Support:					
IOLTA Revenue (net of bank charges)	\$528,296			\$528,296	\$382,789
Contributions	81,098	\$129,972	298,436	509,506	182,418
Contributions for disaster relief		152,708		152,708	
Special events, net		8,070		8,070	(5,686)
In-Kind Contributions	18,000			18,000	18,000
Investment Income	193,081	32,425		225,506	77,836
Other Revenue	12,000			12,000	10,350
Net Assets released from Restrictions:					
Satisfaction of Program Restrictions	187,432	(187,432)			
Total Revenues	1,019,907	135,743	298,436	1,454,086	665,707
Expenses					
Program Services:					
Grants Program	269,320			269,320	196,946
Scholarship Program	72,972			72,972	62,044
Access to Justice Program	11,459			11,459	19,832
Diaster relief	130,305			130,305	
Supporting Services:					
Fund Raising	77,102			77,102	60,742
General and Administrative	117,641			117,641	87,335
Total Expenses	678,799			678,799	426,889
Change in Net Assets	341,108	135,743	298,436	775,287	238,808
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	1,422,592	406,642		1,829,234	1,590,426
Net Assets at End of Year	\$1,763,700	\$542,385	\$298,436	\$2,604,521	\$1,829,234

A New Scholarship:
*The Justice Janie L. Shores
Scholarship*

Kids' Chance Scholarship
Recipients for 2006

What Hard Work, Hope
& Help Can Accomplish:
A Kids' Chance Story

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access to civil justice and
education to all Alabama
citizens a reality.

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