# NDIA Conference Scholarship Application

The NDIA is committed to providing quality educational opportunities to criminal defense investigators and paralegals. In furtherance of that goal, the NDIA will provide limited Conference Scholarships to both its National and Regional Conferences. The NDIA is currently accepting applications to its Conference Assistance Program.

#### What is the NDIA Conference Scholarship?

The NDIA seeks to award at least one (1) scholarship per region, but reserves the right to add an additional award if the NDIA determines it is feasible. Additional scholarships per region may be awarded at the discretion of the NDIA President. **The scholarship covers the NDIA conference registration fee only.** It does not include travel and hotel rental costs.

## Who is eligible to apply for the NDIA Conference Scholarship?

Any NDIA member in good standing can apply for an NDIA Conference Scholarship. A qualified applicant is one who has met the criteria for NDIA membership and whose dues are paid in full by the start of the conference.

### Criteria and Application Guidelines:

- 1. Applicants must certify that they have pursued other funding options and can only attend the NDIA conference with the assistance of an NDIA Conference Scholarship.
- 2. The application will be reviewed by the NDIA Area Director within the region where the applicant is located, and the Area Director will then make a recommendation to the NDIA President.
- 3. Applicants will be screened based upon their demonstration of financial hardship.
- 4. Applicants must agree to volunteer for a minimum of two (2) hours during the conference to assist with registration, hosting, and/or reporting on a session.
- 5. With the application, applicants must provide a letter stating why s/he wants to attend, and how they will benefit from, the conference.
- 6. Applicants must certify that s/he plans to attend the entire conference for which s/he received the NDIA conference scholarship.

Please contact your NDIA Area Director for additional information. To apply, please contact Beverly Davidson, NDIA Executive Secretary, at <u>nationaldefender@gmail.com</u>.

# NDIA Scholarship Application Form

Name of Applicant:
NDIA Member Number:
Agency:
Address:
Telephone Number:
Email Address:
Date:

- Member in Good Standing: YES / NO
- Have you received an NDIA Conference Scholarship before? YES / NO. If YES, then list dates:
- The Application and Explanatory Letter must be postmarked or faxed no later than 60 days prior to the national or regional conference date.

*NOTE: Area Directors will notify all applicants of their results via electronic mail, along with a follow-up telephone call.* 

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