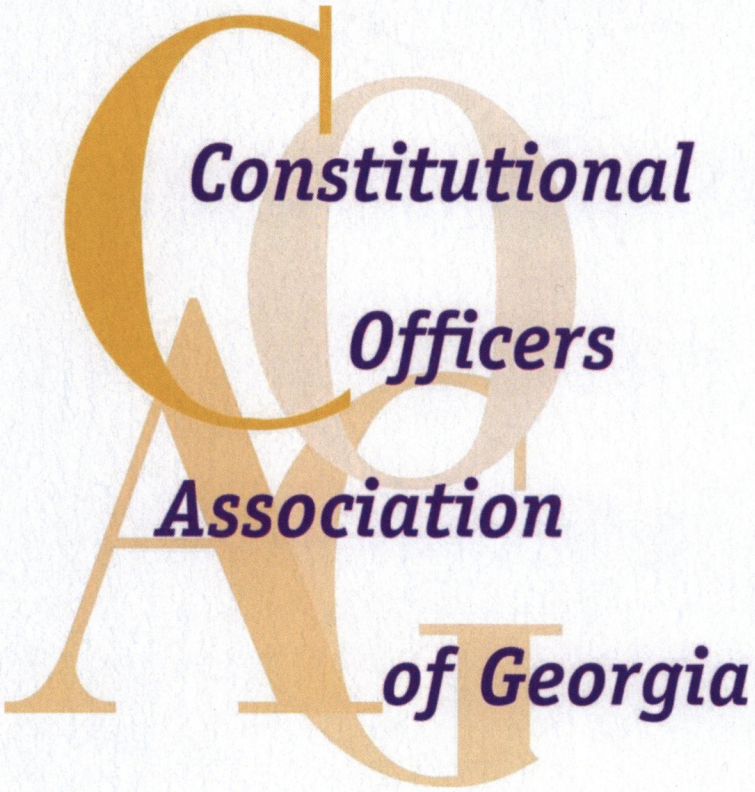
CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA, INC.

2014 Scholarship



Scholarships Available:

Three scholarships: A $1,500.00, A $1000.00 and A $500.00 Scholarship

Eligibility:

The COAG Scholarship is open to any Georgia high school senior (or a GED equivalency dated December 31, 2013 to May 31, 2014) who is a United States and Georgia citizen graduating by the spring of 2014 or any student currently enrolled in a school of accredited higher education located in Georgia is eligible to apply for a 2014 COAG Scholarship. You must be seeking an undergraduate degree in a field related to government/law enforcement, political science, accounting/finance or business, pre-law.

Criteria:

The criteria for the award include: presenting a letter of acceptance or letter of enrollment from a school of accredited higher education located within Georgia (four year college, junior college or technical college) to provide verification of degree field related to government/law enforcement, political science, accounting/finance or business, pre-law; providing proof of residency in the State of Georgia; submitting a 1,000 word essay; and presenting a COAG scholarship application (may be downloaded from www.coag.info).

Essay:

The 1,000 word essay must be typed or computer generated, double-spaced, twelve point font, on 8 ½ x 11 unlined white bond paper and in the English language. Handwritten essays or those in any other format will be disqualified. The essay must have a title page and cannot contain any reference to the city, town or county where the applicant resides or any reference to the high school attended by the applicant. Any such reference will disqualify the applicant. All essays must be original, factually accurate and must not infringe upon any material protected by copyright.

Essay Theme 2013-2014:

Most counties in the State of Georgia have elected government officials known as "constitutional officers." County constitutional officers include the clerk of the superior court, judge of probate court, sheriff, and tax commissioner. County constitutional officers are elected for four-year terms and have such powers and duties as provided by general law. Although dependent upon funding from the county governing authority, county constitutional officers have a certain degree of autonomy in carrying out their duties. Your essay should answer the question: "Who

are the locally elected constitutional officers and what differentiates them from other county offices?"

Award Guidelines:

All entries will be reviewed by the Constitutional Officers' Association of Georgia, Inc. Scholarship Committee. The committee members will select the scholarship recipients based on the content of their essay. Additional consideration will be given to those who have made any contribution to their local government and/or their local law enforcement community. All essays become the property of COAG. Winners' names may be released to the public and news media for promotional purposes. The scholarship will be awarded May 1, 2014 and will be payable to the individual winners.

Procedures:

All completed applications, documentation and completed essays should be mailed flat in a 9 x 12 envelope to: COAG Scholarship, COAG, PO Box 1644, Decatur, GA 30031.

Deadline:

All applications must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than April 1, 2014 or they will be deemed ineligible. Applications mailed to any other address will not be forwarded or considered.

Scholarship Application Packet

The packet that you are to submit should include the following items:

1) **Scholarship Application Form - 1 original**
2) **1,000 Word Essay - 1 original**
3) **Letter of acceptance from a school of accredited higher education located within Georgia provide verification of degree field related to government/law enforcement, political science, accounting/finance or business, pre-law (four year college, junior college or technical college) 1 copy**
4) **Proof of Georgia residency - 1 copy**

Questions:

Contact: Suzanne Cross at 404-377-1364 or coagoffice@bellsouth.net

Referred by: _____

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2014 Scholarship Application Form

Applicant Information:

Name (Mr.), (Miss), Mrs.) _____

Home Street Address _____

City _____ **Zip** _____ **Telephone # (_____)** _____

Alt Telephone # (_____)_____ **Email** _____

Date of Birth _____ **Are you a US Citizen? ___yes ___ no**

Social Security Number _____

Parent or Guardian Information:

Name _____

Relationship to Student _____

Address _____

City _____ **Zip** _____

Email _____ **Daytime Telephone #(_____)** _____

High School Information:

Name of School _____

Address _____

City _____ **Zip** _____ **Telephone # (_____)** _____

Date of Graduation _____ **Principal** _____

Counselor _____ **Telephone # (_____)** _____

College, University or Technical School:

Name of School _____

Degree Field: _____