

## About this Scholarship

### What is the Maritime Training Scholarship?

The Maritime Training Scholarship is based on merit and need of each individual who applies. A \$500 award is given each January, April, July, and October to cover the costs or partial costs of training and licensing programs necessary to qualify for certain merchant marine occupations.

The \$500 award will be paid directly to the training facility the recipient is enrolled in. In the event that the course is less than \$500 total cost, the full sum of the course will be paid rather than any overages.

In order to be eligible for the application phase of the scholarship, you must be a citizen of the United States of America, currently hold a valid TWIC card and must meet any and all requirements for the course you wish to apply the scholarship to.

You can apply for the scholarship using our paper application which is to be submitted online, by fax or by mail. Visit [cuerialawfirm.com/scholarship](http://cuerialawfirm.com/scholarship) to print an application or call (504) 525-5211 to request a paper copy be mailed to you.

## Frequently Asked Questions:

### How Much Is The Maritime Training Scholarship Award Worth?

The scholarship will be for the full \$500 to be applied to the course or for the cost of the course the recipient is enrolled in if that cost does not exceed \$500.

### What If I Missed the Deadline?

You are welcome to submit your application to be considered for the next entry period. All additional documentation must be valid (including your TWIC card and residential status) in order for your application to remain valid.

### Can I Apply More Than Once?

If you do not receive the award the first time, you are welcome to apply again for the next deadline. Applications are only valid for the entry period they are submitted for.

### How Are Winners Chosen?

Applications are reviewed by a team and are chosen based on commitment to career and individual need. Winners who take their time to explain themselves, their maritime career, and what the opportunity would mean for themselves and their families are most likely to stand out. As such, we recommend the applicants take their time to fill out the application thoroughly.

### How Are Winners Notified?

Winners will be contacted by phone or mail. They will also be announced online at [cuerialawfirm.com/scholarship](http://cuerialawfirm.com/scholarship) and across our social media profiles. All applicants will receive an email announcing that a winner has been chosen.

### How Do Winners Accept Their Award?

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When a winner has been chosen, they will be sent a form which outlines the terms of acceptance of the scholarship award. At this time we will also notify the training facility that the winner has enrolled in and provide them with the appropriate billing information in order to transfer the \$500 award. If the chosen winner is not heard from or returns the form accepting the award within 10 days, the award may be given to another person.

#### **What If The Winner Decides Not to Attend the Training Facility?**

Unless you have a specific emergency (family member sick or dying, extreme financial hardship, or other personal crisis) with documentation proving the situation, you will forfeit your award. Without sufficient explanation you may be barred from applying for the scholarship in the future.

At Cueria Law Firm, LLC we understand that things happen. We will evaluate each situation on a case by case basis and may in some situations reserve the award for the future if the recipient is serious about attending the training.

#### **Who Created the Cueria Cares Maritime Training Scholarship?**

After representing maritime workers in injury claims for over two decades, Maritime Injury Attorney Brent Cueria created this scholarship to assist the men and women who need financial assistance for their marine training.

### **About Cueria Law Firm, LLC**

Cueria Law Firm, LLC is a personal injury law firm based out of New Orleans, Louisiana. We have an additional office in St. Mary Parish, Louisiana where we are available by appointment only. The attorneys and staff at Cueria Law Firm are able to represent individuals who are injured in accidents caused by another party across Louisiana and the Gulf Coast.

Maritime workers who have been injured while working may have rights under the Jones Act or Longshore and Harbor Worker's Compensation Act. If the accident resulted from your employer's negligence, you should seek the legal representation of an experienced maritime accident attorney to hold them accountable.

When you call Cueria Law Firm, LLC, our maritime accident attorney will review the facts of your case, using decades of experience with Jones Act and Longshore and Harbor Worker's Act cases to determine the best strategy going forward. Once you sign a retainer with Cueria Law Firm, LLC, we will begin fighting for fair compensation for your maritime accident injury.