



The Pre-Law Summer Institute for American Indians and Alaska Natives
Application Requirements

In addition to a completed application form, there are a number of other pieces necessary for a complete application. A complete application package includes the following:

1. Completed application form. (Download the application included on this website. You may complete it on-line and print it out, or print it out and then complete it. However, we need an original signature so the completed application must be mailed and cannot be submitted electronically.)
2. Personal statement of your reasons for desiring to study law. (You may submit the same personal statement you prepare for your law school application.)
3. Proof of membership in a state- or federally-recognized tribe. If you are not enrolled, but have a blood quantum of $\frac{1}{4}$ or more, please provide that documentation, along with an explanation of why you are not enrolled.
4. Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB). (This is for statistical purposes only. If your proof of membership indicates your blood quantum, we do not need a separate CDIB.)
5. Resumé.
6. Official undergraduate transcript.
7. Copy of LSDAS Academic Summary Report (the sheet with your undergraduate grade summary), and a copy of your LSAT Candidate Report (that shows your LSAT score). (You must send copies of your reports to the PLSI. LSAC will not send copies directly to the American Indian Law Center because the PLSI is not a law school.)
8. Proof of application to an ABA-accredited law school (e.g., copy of an e-mail or photocopy of a law school's acknowledgment letter or postcard indicating your application is complete). Please note that you need not have been admitted, but you do need to have at least one complete application at a law school.
9. Two (2) letters of recommendation. Letters should be written by professors familiar with your college work or, if you have been out of school for more than two years, by people familiar with your performance in the work place. (Letters need not be written specifically to the Institute; copies of letters written to LSDAS or law school admissions committees are acceptable.)
10. Copy of law school admission letter. (This is required only if you have been admitted; you will be considered for admission to the PLSI regardless of your admission status.)

Incomplete applications will not be considered, so you should be sure that you have submitted all the necessary documents. Students applying or completing their files after the deadline will be considered on a space available basis after all timely applicants are considered.

All documentation and any written inquiries should be sent to:
Pre-Law Summer Institute Director
American Indian Law Center, Inc.
P.O. Box 4456, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87196

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