

# 2022 ASLCS Awards, Scholarships & Professional Development Opportunities

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## **Betty King Scholarship for the Legislative Staff Management Institute (LSMI)**

The Betty King Scholarship was established to assist ASLCS members with tuition costs in attending the Legislative Staff Management Institute. It was named in honor of Betty King, an active member of the ASLCS for 24 years. Betty King served as President of the Society in 1984-85, was the NCSL Staff Chair in 1987-88, received the Joseph A. Beek Distinguished Service Award in 1993, and received the NCSL Legislative Staff Achievement Award in 2000. Betty King became the 37th Texas Secretary of the Senate in January 1977, after being a Senate staff member for 28 years. She went on to become the longest-serving Secretary of the Senate in Texas history before her retirement in June 2001.

The Betty King Scholarship, which covers half of the tuition, will be awarded to both Principal and Associate members of the Society and funded from the Professional Development Revolving Account. (Note: LSMI tuition and lodging for 2022 is \$3,400.) Associate members must secure a letter of endorsement from their Principal Clerk/Secretary. Once a Society member has been chosen by the Institute to attend LSMI, the ASLCS Executive Committee must approve any ASLCS scholarship awards.

**LSMI Application deadline: May 13, 2022.** Betty King Scholarship applications should be submitted following acceptance to LSMI.

## **David A. Ward Technology and Innovation Scholarship**

The David A. Ward Technology and Innovation Scholarship is established to assist Associate members with costs associated with attending the Society's Annual Professional Development Seminar (PDS).

David A. Ward (1935-2008) was the president of International Roll-Call Corporation and a dedicated contributor to the work and programs of ASLCS. His experience in the legislative voting system industry improved the operations not only of the Society but also of 73 state legislative chambers and six international parliaments. It is in recognition and honor of Mr. Ward's many contributions to the advancement of the legislative institution and to the Society that this Associate member scholarship is established.

The David A. Ward Technology and Innovation Scholarship will be awarded annually to no more than two Associate members of the Society. The scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,500 for a single recipient or \$750 for each of two recipients.

An Associate member interested in the scholarship must submit a letter, endorsed by the member's principal clerk or secretary, outlining why the member hopes to be selected for the scholarship and how attending the PDS will enrich the member's professional knowledge of legislative technology. Letters are to be submitted to the ASLCS Executive Committee through the NCSL Staff Liaison by July 1. The Technology Committee will review the applications and recommend an applicant or applicants to the Executive Committee. In order to afford an opportunity for as many as possible to receive a scholarship, those awarded a scholarship will not be eligible in future years.

**Application deadline: July 1, 2022.**

### **Edward A. Burdick Memorial Scholarship**

The Edward A. Burdick Memorial Scholarship was established to assist ASLCS Associate members with costs associated with attending the PDS. The Ed Burdick Scholarship provides a stipend of \$750 each for two associate members to attend the ASLCS PDS each year.

Ed Burdick (1921-2011) was the former Chief Clerk and Parliamentarian of the Minnesota House of Representatives. Ed served as Chief Clerk for 38 years and was an employee of the Minnesota House for 62 years. He served as ASLCS President from 1971-1972, was the first recipient of the Joseph A. Beek Distinguished Service Award in 1983 and received NCSL's Legislative Staff Achievement Award in 2002. The scholarship program was established in recognition of and to honor Ed's many years of public service and dedication to the Society.

Associate members must submit a letter to the ASLCS Executive Committee through the NCSL Liaison requesting the stipend, along with an endorsement letter by his/her principal clerk or secretary. Applications will be evaluated by the ASLCS Executive Committee, which will decide on the two recipients. In order to afford an opportunity for as many as possible to receive a scholarship, those awarded a scholarship will not be eligible in future years.

*Thanks to Thomson Reuters for funding the 2022 Scholarship!*

**Application deadline: July 1, 2022.**

### **Millicent (Millie) MacFarland Memorial Scholarship**

The Millicent (Millie) MacFarland Memorial Scholarship was established in recognition and honor of Ms. MacFarland's many years of nonpartisan service and dedication to the Society to assist Principal members with costs associated with attending the Professional Development Seminar.

Millicent (Millie) MacFarland (1956-2014) was Chief Clerk and Parliamentarian of the Maine House of Representatives from 2000-2010 and 2013-2014; from 1978-2000, she served as Calendar Clerk, Chief Calendar Clerk, and Assistant Clerk. During her membership in ASLCS, she served as President from 2008-2009 and received the NCSL Legislative Staff Achievement Award in 1997.

The Millicent (Millie) MacFarland Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded annually to no more than two Principal members of the Society. In order to afford an opportunity for as many as possible to receive a scholarship, those awarded a scholarship will not be eligible in future years.

A Principal member interested in the scholarship should submit a letter outlining why he or she hopes to be awarded the scholarship. Letters are to be submitted to the ASLCS Executive Committee through the NCSL Liaison.

**Application deadline: July 1, 2022.**

### **Associate Exchange Program**

The Associate Exchange Program (AEP) provides Associate members of the Society an opportunity to enhance their professional knowledge and capabilities by participating in an exchange program with legislative chambers in other states. Selected participants will spend between three and five days working with their host chamber.

Associates who wish to participate in the AEP must meet the following qualifications:

- Be a member of the Society;
- Have attended an ASLCS meeting or NCSL Legislative Summit, or worked for the legislature for a minimum of two years;
- Demonstrate outstanding job performance and exhibit leadership abilities in his or her current position;
- Demonstrate the potential for continued contributions to his or her legislature and the Society;
- Complete a written application, including a brief description of why he or she hopes to be selected and what he or she hopes to gain from participating in the AEP.

Applications should be endorsed by their principal and submitted to the Support Staff Committee through the NCSL Liaison. The Support Staff Committee Chair will recommend a maximum of four participants and two alternates to the ASLCS Executive Committee, which will select program participants. Each participant is eligible to receive a minimum of \$500 toward expenses.

**Application deadline: November 2022.**

Questions? Need more information?

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