

Kansas Prosecutors Foundation Gives Scholarships

The KCDAA Board of Directors established the Kansas Prosecutors Foundation to further the administration of justice in the best interests of the public. In 2013, the KPF gave out its first law school student scholarships to a law school student from each regent law school. Recipients of KPF scholarships shall meet the following criteria:

- a Kansas resident;
- a 2L or 3L enrolled in a law school in Kansas;
- demonstrate a desire to become a prosecutor;
- exhibit previous or ongoing activities of public service;
- either be pursuing a career in prosecution or the administration of justice; and
- may not be a member within the first degree of relationship to either a member of the scholarship committee or the KPF board.

The \$1,000 scholarships were again awarded in 2014 and the winners were recognized at the KCDAA Spring Conference. Read more about the recipients below.

2014 KPF KANSAS LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS


Xavier Andrews, II

Xavier Andrews grew up in Kansas City, Mo., where he graduated from Hickman Mills High School in 2006. He received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Missouri Western State University, and a Master of Business Administration from Rockhurst University. Xavier recently graduated from the University of Kansas School Of Law, where he served as president of the Black Law Students Association and Business Manager of the Kansas Journal of Law and Public Policy. Xavier also served as a member of the Moot Court Council.

During his third year of law school, Xavier served as an intern at the Johnson County District Attorney's Office in the Economic Crime Unit and Consumer Protection Division. While there, he prosecuted criminal cases before juries and assisted in enforcing the Kansas Consumer Protection Act against area merchants who committed deceptive and unconscionable acts against consumers. Xavier joined the office on a permanent basis as an Assistant District Attorney after taking the July 2014 Kansas Bar Exam.

Kayla Roehler

Kayla Roehler graduated from high school in Topeka. After high school, she went to Kansas State University and received her undergraduate degree in elementary education and graduated with honors from the Delta Alpha Pi International Honors Society. During her time at Kansas State, she started the Kansas State Chapter of Delta Alpha Pi International Honors Society. She also worked as a chairperson for Disability Awareness Week, where she promoted awareness of various types of disabilities.

During her first year at Washburn Law, she was selected by her peers to be the class section's LARW Gladiator. During her second year, she organized a team from the law school to run and walk in that year's Race Against Breast Cancer. Her team included 60 students, faculty, and staff members. Also, during her second year, she decided to work on her Pro Bono Certificate. In her upcoming final year, she has been selected to be a student prosecutor with the Shawnee County District Attorney's Office, and will also be a research editor for the Washburn Law Journal, a student ambassador for the law school, the Barristers' Ball Chair, and will be completing her Advocacy and Pro Bono Certificates. Her plan is to be active--or more accurately put--extremely busy, pressing forward, and trying to be a force and voice for good. 



Recent scholarship winners hold their honorary checks and stand with members of the Board of the KPF. They were honored at the 2014 KCDAA Spring Conference. Left: Xavier Andrews, II, Right: Kayla Roehler