SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

EDWARD C. GALLAS AWARD

The Edward C. Gallas Award of $1,500 is given in honor of Ed Gallas, a court-management pioneer. Gallas became the first executive officer of the Los Angeles Superior Court in 1958 at a time in which the profession of court management was nonexistent. Gallas, along with his wife of 66 years, Nesta, and Ernest Friesen, authored a seminal book titled “Managing the Courts” that made a significant contribution to the founding and development of the now prestigious profession.

ICM SCHOLARSHIP

NACM will award an Institute for Court Management (ICM) Scholarship in the amount of $1,500 for tuition assistance.

These scholarships will be awarded to one NACM member for tuition assistance towards the Distance Learning, Residential, Court Project, and/or Presentation and Graduation Phases of the ICM Fellows Program of the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) Institute for Court Management (ICM). Only those who have been admitted to the ICM Fellows Program are eligible to apply.

The National Association of Court Management (NACM) is a nonprofit professional association with membership of over 1,800 members worldwide. NACM’s purpose is to increase the proficiency of those who manage courts through the exchange of information.

PURPOSE

NACM’s purpose is to promote court management excellence and to recognize an outstanding court manager who is working to increase their knowledge, skills and abilities.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must have at least three years of court management experience and be a current NACM member at the time of application for the ICM Scholarship.

TO APPLY

Applications must be submitted to the Dean of the ICM’s Fellows Program no less than three weeks after the invitation to apply has been sent to all who have been accepted into the ICM Fellows Program. Applications must include:

1) A current resume;
2) A current job description;
3) A statement not to exceed one paragraph describing the applicant's plans for financing his or her participation in Distance Learning, Residential, Court Project, and Presentation and Graduation Phases; and
4) An essay no more than three single spaced pages regarding the applicant’s personal view of the court management profession.

APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS

The Dean of ICM’s Fellows Program will provide the complete application for each eligible applicant to a three-member committee appointed by the NACM President. The committee will include one officer and two board members. This Committee will select the recipient of the NACM ICM Scholarship. All applicants will be given prompt notice of the committee's decision.

The recipient may use the award for tuition expenses affiliated with the ICM Fellows Program, as determined by the recipient and the Dean of the ICM Fellows Program. Grants will be awarded promptly by NACM upon the selection of the recipient. Announcement and special recognition of the recipient will occur at the NACM Mid Year and/or Annual Conference. Grant recipients do not need to be present.

The NACM Association Services administers the grant in coordination with ICM. All awards are final and presented without regard to race, religion, creed, sex, or national origin.