## QS GRANT SCHEME FOR STUDENTS CURRENTLY ON THE BAR COURSE

The Inn heavily subsidises the cost of its educational provision to ensure sessions are accessible and affordable. However, we understand that now more than ever, many students will find themselves under financial pressure and unexpected financial hardship may make it difficult to acquire the correct number of Qualifying Sessions.

To this end, the Inn will provide a flat rate of **£70** for students who meet the requirements – this sum is calculated on the basis that it should allow students to book the minimum number of QS required to gain 10 points (NB this does **not** include the fees for residential advocacy weekends, as these have their own bursary scheme which is opened to students if and when they are allocated a place on a weekend.)

Please note that this sum of £70 will be paid **in one go** once approved and the responsibility remains on the student to ensure they are circumspect in booking and attending Qualifying Sessions. Additional grant funds will not be allocated unless in exceptional circumstances – if you book and cancel a number of sessions at short notice or fail to attend sessions you have booked, the Inn cannot provide more money to cover the shortfall in QS points.

Requirements for the QS grant scheme are as follows:

- Applicants **must** be currently enrolled full- or part-time on a Bar Course at an Authorised Education and Training Organisations. Grants can be provided to students who start in Autumn 2022 or January 2023.
- Applicants will need to demonstrate a shortfall between their income and expenditure which cannot be fulfilled another way
- Applicants can only apply for and be awarded a grant **once** unless extenuating circumstances can be demonstrated
- Applicants should demonstrate that they have exhausted other available sources of funding including student loans and provider hardship funds.

Please note, Transferring Legal Professionals are not eligible for this scheme unless exceptional financial circumstances can be illustrated.

To apply for the QS Grant Scheme, please fill in the following form: https://innertemple.typeform.com/to/Sh3TEDgB

## Marshall Hall Trust

Please note that additional financial assistance can be sought, if necessary, via the Marshall Hall Trust. The object of the Trust is to give assistance by way of loan or grant to members of the Inner Temple who are in need. The Trust is intended to cover costs for members who, through no fault of their own, e.g. loss of a parent or financial support being withdrawn, would not otherwise be able to complete the course or their pupillage.

Further information can be found via the Inner Temple Website: <u>https://www.innertemple.org.uk/membership-services-support/financial-support-members/marshall-hall/</u>

## **QS** Travel Subsidies

There is also a Travel Subsidy available for students studying the Bar Course at an out of London provider. This subsidy is intended to help with the cost of attending in person Qualifying Session and Student Society events in London.

Details on how to apply will be circulated with event booking details each term.

Please note applications should be submitted after your bookings for Qualifying Session events are made.