Re: State Bar Municipal Judges Section Scholarship

The Municipal Judges Section of the State Bar of Texas will award a $500.00 scholarship to a first year and second year law school student attending law school in the state of Texas for the fall of 2018.

The winners will be selected from the students who submit the best essays on the following two questions.

**Municipal courts have been coming under fire for issuing warrants for the arrest of defendants who fail to pay fines, fees and court cost.**

1. **Should municipal courts be allowed to arrest defendants who fail to comply with their judgements?**

2. **What should municipal courts do to enforce their judgments against those who lack the financial resources to pay their fines, court cost and fees that make up their judgments?**

The responses are to be in 500 words or less for each question and submitted to

Houston Municipal Courts  
C/o Judge Joyce Elaine Marshall-Augustine  
1400 Lubbock Street  
Houston, Texas 77002

Emailed responses are accepted and can be email to: elaine.marshall@houstontx.gov

All entries must be received no later than May 11, 2018. Winners will be announced at the Municipal Judges Section of the State Bar Annual Meeting in Houston, Texas on June 22, 2018.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Honorable Judge Elaine Marshall,