

Application Instructions and Deadline

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Minimum Requirements:

- A minimum LSAT score of 160 is required to be considered for the Jere F. White, Jr. Fellows Program.
- We ask that you only apply if you will be able to make your final law school decision by the time the Fellow is selected, approximately early March. This is out of consideration for the other fellowship applicants.

How to Apply:

- **Step 1:** To apply for the Jere F. White, Jr. Fellows Program, applicants must first submit an application for admission to Cumberland School of Law's fall 2026 entering first year class.
- **Step 2:** Once the entering fall 2026 application is submitted through LSAC, applicants may submit the required application documents listed below to lawadm@samford.edu on or by **Friday, January 9, 2026**.

Required Application Documents:

1. **Essay:** How do you view law as an avenue for service? (500 words or less)
 - a. Also identify one area of service in which you wish to participate during your second and third year of law school. The area of service should address an identifiable community need.
2. **Personal Statement:** Copy of the personal statement you submitted with your Cumberland School of Law application.
3. **Resume:** Copy of the resume you submitted with your Cumberland School of Law application. Be sure to include your service/volunteer work.
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Selection Process:

- The deadline for applications is **Friday, January 9, 2026**.
- Finalists will be contacted in early February to arrange mandatory interviews in late February (TBD whether in-person or virtual).
- The 2026 Jere F. White, Jr. Fellow will be named in early March.

Certification:

I hereby certify I understand the items above and the work submitted with this application is my own, except as noted by work cited.

Print Full Name

Applicant's Signature

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