**The Houston Chapter of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice (NABCJ)**

*Jackson-Thompson Criminal Justice Scholarship Award**Guidelines*

The Houston Chapter of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice will award a $500.00 scholarship to a deserving Texas College / University student majoring in Criminal Justice or a related field. The criterion is as follows:

Must be a student in good standing and currently enrolled in a Texas/University.

Must be enrolled for the current semester in a minimum of 12 hours and have completed the semester prior as a full-time student.

Must have maintained at least a cumulative 2.50 GPA on a 4.0 scale

Be active in a NABCJ Student Chapter

**Scholarship Application Checklist**

1. Completed application (must be typed, signed, and dated).

2. Official stamped college/university transcript.

3. One (1) page typed essay addressing the financial need, community service, and organizational affiliations.

4. Professional Photograph (will not be returned).

5. Proof of Enrollment (fee slip for the current semester or equivalent documentation).

Remember – All documents are **REQUIRED**; if not, your application will **NOT** be considered or reviewed by the selection committee.

Applications must be received by **April 27, 2024**.

Mail to:

Houston Chapter of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice

College Scholarship Committee

 3909 Shadrack Street

Houston, TX 77013

***Jackson-Thompson Criminal Justice Scholarship Award Application***

Last Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ First Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

State\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Gender\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Home phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Alternate number\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Texas University/College\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Major and Minor\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GPA\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. List your most recent volunteer/ Community Service Activities

1. List your Personal Interests/ Hobbies and organizational affiliations

1. List your Academic and Professional Goals

I certify that the above information is current and correct.

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Signature Date

**About Walter Jackson & Bill Thompson**

It all began in 1975 when strides were made to establish the first Texas Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice (TABCJ). This venture intended to establish a forum for networking with individuals throughout the state in criminal justice, social work, and other related fields. Though this endeavor failed, it led to the conception of the Houston Chapter of NABCJ. The Houston Chapter of NABCJ was chartered on June 12, 1981. Houston NABCJ hosted the South Region Conference in 1984 and National Conferences in 1985, 1993, and 2018.

This scholarship award was officially formulated in 2001 to commemorate the legacy of Walter Jackson & Bill Thompson and their contributions to the field of Criminal Justice. Both Jackson & Thompson were founding members of the Houston Chapter with solid ties to the community and a commitment to justice for all. Jackson was a former Harris County Juvenile Probation Administrator, and Thompson was formerly the Deputy Director of Institutions. Their motto was “let the future generation succeed,” NABCJ Houston has committed to fulfilling this need in our communities.