

Columbia Law School Application

Fall 2026 Transfers
and Visiting Students

FOR PREVIEW PURPOSES ONLY



Columbia
Law School

Please note that applications to Columbia Law School must be submitted electronically through LSAC (www.lsac.org). Paper applications will not be accepted. However, the Dean's Appraisal/Certification must be emailed from an official university address to deanscerts@law.columbia.edu (strongly preferred method) or mailed directly to the Office of Admissions:

Columbia Law School
Office of Admissions
435 West 116th Street, Mail Code 4004
New York, NY 10027-7297

Kindly note that any application materials must be submitted directly by the applicant to LSAC or to Columbia Law School as applicable in accordance with our instructions - not through an agent or third-party vendor. This requirement does not apply to letters of recommendation, which must be submitted directly from the recommender, nor to dean's certifications or academic transcripts, which must be submitted directly from an official university registrar or other administrator (please continue reading below for additional information regarding these requirements). In addition, the applicant will be required to attest to the accuracy and authenticity of all information and documents submitted to LSAC and to Columbia. If you have any questions about this requirement, please contact the Office of Admissions at admissions@law.columbia.edu.

Columbia Law School expects that all applicants submit work that is their original writing and/or work product. Assistance in completing any components of your Columbia application, including but not limited to using the services of an agent, thirdparty vendor, educational consultant, or artificial intelligence (AI) tool or service is strictly prohibited. If dishonesty in this regard is discovered, it is grounds for immediate rescission of an admission offer and, if already enrolled, disciplinary proceedings (possibly leading to expulsion or, if later discovered, revocation of the degree earned).

To avoid any confusion or delay in the processing of your application, please ensure that you enter your name consistently throughout your application materials, and keep us informed of any mailing address, telephone number, or email address changes during the application process, and write your LSAC account number on all correspondence with the Office of Admissions.

Columbia Law School reserves the right to withdraw an offer of admission if an applicant: (1) shows a significant decline in academic performance or fails to graduate; (2) misrepresents any matter in dealing with the Office of Admissions, Office of Financial Aid, or any other representative of Columbia Law School; (3) behaves in a manner that indicates a serious lack of

judgment, sincerity, or integrity; or (4) reserves a place in our entering class and simultaneously commits to enroll at another law school or submits a deposit to another law school. Columbia Law School further reserves the right to make the continuing validity of an offer of admission contingent upon an applicant providing further information or authorizing the release of information from other parties in connection with any matter relevant to the foregoing.

Method of Application

Early Decision Transfer Plan

For Early Decision transfer candidates, the law school application process is simplified and expedited considerably and permits applicants to apply with only one semester of grades. Early Decision transfer candidates should submit their applications as soon as possible after March 1 and must complete their applications by March 31. Applicants who complete their applications prior to the deadline are notified of the Admissions Committee's decision on a rolling basis, but, in general, no later than April 15. Candidates applying on an Early Decision basis commit themselves to matriculate at Columbia if admitted. Successful Early Decision candidates may not initiate any new law school applications, must immediately withdraw other applications once notified of their Columbia acceptance, and must decline any acceptances they may have received prior to admission to Columbia under the Early Decision Transfer Plan. Failure to honor these commitments will result in Columbia revoking its offer of admission. Some Early Decision applicants not offered admission will be reviewed again over the summer as part of the Regular applicant transfer pool; others will be informed that their admission has been denied and will not be evaluated again that year. LLM and part-time students are not eligible to apply under the Early Decision Transfer Plan.

Regular Decision Transfer Plan

Candidates for Regular transfer admission should submit their applications starting after March 1 and must complete their applications by June 15. Applications are not evaluated by our Admissions Committee until all required materials have been received and are generally evaluated in the order in which they are completed.

Visiting Admission

Current law students who wish to take upperclass courses at Columbia, but do not plan to matriculate for the Columbia Law School degree should apply for visiting status. Absent exceptional circumstances, visiting is generally permitted only in the 3L year. Candidates for visiting admission may submit their applications starting on March 1 and must complete their applications by July 15.

Application for Admission

Applicants must complete all sections of the application for admission before submission.

Résumé

In response to question 13.1, applicants must submit a résumé of up to two pages detailing significant full- or part- time employment positions held. This may include internships, summer employment, and community service. In addition, the résumé should include a summary of written scholarship, presentations, and principal extracurricular activities.

Personal Statement

Applicants must submit a personal statement in response to question 14.1.

Optional Supplemental Statements

Applicants, if they wish, may submit brief supplemental statements that will provide useful information to the Admissions Committee in evaluating the application.

Application Fee

The application fee is \$85 (US funds only). Applicants who transmit their applications electronically may pay with a credit card online, which is our strongly preferred method of payment. Applicants who can only pay using a check or money order must print, sign, and mail the Certification Letter to the Office of Admissions along with the check or money order.

Supporting Documents

Dean's Appraisal/Certification

The Dean's Appraisal/Certification Form or an equivalent certification of good standing must be submitted from (1) the law school where you are currently enrolled in a degree program; (2) from any college or university at which you have already earned a degree; and (3) if applicable, from any college or university where you were matriculated toward a degree (regardless of whether a degree was received). Dean's Appraisal/Certification forms must be mailed in hard copy to the Office of Admissions or emailed from an official university address to deanscerts@law.columbia.edu (strongly preferred method). Applicants currently enrolled in law school should wait until after the conclusion of the spring semester to have their Dean's Appraisal/Certification submitted. For Regular Decision transfer candidates, the Dean's Appraisal/Certification Form from the law school where you are currently enrolled must be received for your application to be completed and reviewed. For Early Decision transfer candidates, the Dean's Appraisal/Certification

Form from the law school where you are currently enrolled must be submitted as soon as possible upon completion of the spring semester but no later than June 15.

For all other institutions, the Dean's Appraisals/Certifications must be submitted by August 1st unless you answered affirmatively to Question 11.1 or 11.2 of the Character & Fitness section due to academic probation, disciplinary action or charges. If you answered affirmatively to Question 11.1 or 11.2, the Dean's Appraisals/Certifications from the relevant institution must be submitted for your application to be complete and reviewed.

Please note: it is not necessary that the Dean or other Administrator responsible for such certification know you personally. The Dean or other Administrator may complete the Dean's Appraisal(s) or Certification(s) on the basis of official records.

If you plan to attend Columbia as a visiting student, the Dean's Appraisal(s) or Certification(s) must include a letter with the following information:

1. your law school's approval for you to pursue studies as a visiting student, including the timeframe for which you have been given approval;
2. your current standing at your law school;
3. your projected graduation date; and
4. the minimum number of credits you will be required to complete and, if applicable, any specific coursework
5. requirements that you would have to fulfill at Columbia Law School

Please note that except in certain exceptional circumstances, visiting status is approved only for the third year of study.

Letters of Recommendation

Requirements

Columbia requires transfer applicants to submit two letters of recommendation and visiting applicants to submit one letter of recommendation. For transfer applicants, both letters of recommendation must be submitted by your current law school faculty, and the letter of recommendation for visiting applicants must be submitted by your current law school faculty. Applicants may submit more than two letters of recommendation but should be aware that their applications may be deemed complete and forwarded to the Admissions Committee once the required number of recommendations from law school faculty have been received.

Suggested Content

Recommenders should address matters of significance that speak to the ability of the applicant to thrive in an intellectually stimulating academic environment. For example, recommenders may address the strength of the applicant's intelligence, analytical skills, independence of thought, problem-solving skills, effectiveness of oral and written communication, motivation, self-confidence, concern for others, emotional maturity, personal initiative, judgment, leadership ability, and organizational skills.

Submitting Letters of Recommendation

Columbia Law School strongly prefers that letters of recommendation be sent through the LSAC Letter of Recommendation Service. LSAC sends Columbia letters of recommendation electronically as they become available. Please do not send duplicate letters directly to Columbia Law School.

If it is impossible to utilize the LSAC Letter of Recommendation Service, letters of recommendation may be sent to Columbia Law School in one of two ways using the Faculty Appraisal Form found through the online application or the Columbia Law School admissions website: (1) recommenders may provide the applicant with the letter in a sealed, signed envelope to be sent to Columbia Law School, or (2) recommenders may send the letter directly to Columbia Law School.

Transcripts

All applicants are required to register for the LSAC Credential Assembly Service (CAS) in order for us to access undergraduate and/or prior graduate degree transcripts. For more information about the CAS, please call (215) 968-1001 or visit www.lsac.org. Applicants may submit their current law school transcripts either through the CAS (preferred) or directly from their school's registrar's office. Submission of Spring Term grades:

Early Decision Transfer Applicants – If you are applying as an Early Decision candidate, you are only required to submit official transcripts containing your fall grades in order to be deemed complete and forwarded for review. However, you must forward an unofficial transcript containing all first-year grades directly to the Office of Admissions as soon as they become available and also an official transcript via LSAC.

Regular Transfer Applicants – In order to expedite the completion and review of your application, please forward updates of your law school transcripts to the Office of Admissions as soon as they become available, as your application will not be reviewed until all of your first-year grades have been submitted.

Once official and/or unofficial transcripts containing all of your first-year grades, along with all other required components, have been received by our office, your file will be deemed complete and forwarded for review.

Visiting Applicants – Along with all other required components, applications for visiting students may be completed without 2L spring term grades, though you may submit unofficial grades if available.

Kindly send updates of your law transcripts via email as PDF attachments to admissions@law.columbia.edu concurrent with requesting an official copy to be sent to the Office of Admissions.

Submission of Summer Term grades:

Applicants taking summer courses must submit a transcript indicating their grades for all courses taken in the Summer Term as soon as they become available. An official transcript containing all Summer Term grades must be submitted prior to August 31.

Columbia Law School reserves the right to withdraw an offer of admission if an applicant shows a significant decline in academic performance in grades received after an applicant has been admitted to the Law School.

Please note that matriculating transfer students must submit no later than August 15th of the year of matriculation at Columbia Law School final, official transcripts from all undergraduate institutions at which they matriculated for a degree. In addition, transferring students must submit final, official transcripts from the university at which they completed their first-year law studies, also no later than August 15th. Students who fail to do so in a timely manner may be withdrawn from the Law School.

Submission of Additional Material

Applicants are expected to be diligent in providing all necessary information for review of their candidacy prior to the completion of their applications. Once an application is complete, please do not submit additional materials unless they convey essential information, as there is no guarantee such materials will be placed in your application prior to the evaluation. Furthermore, additional materials may potentially slow down the review of your candidacy. Essential information includes address changes and updated transcripts.

Standardized Tests

Applicants are required to submit scores from the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) or the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) to be considered for admission to Columbia Law School. This requirement does not apply to applicants who are applying to

transfer from the LLM Program at Columbia Law School. All LSAT scores from administrations within the last five years will automatically be forwarded with a candidate's Credential Assembly Service (CAS) Report. Applicants applying on the basis of the GRE who submitted an official GRE score report to Columbia Law School in a prior admissions cycle may request for the prior score report to be attached to their file. Alternatively, applicants may forward unofficial copies of GRE score reports as PDF attachments to admissions@law.columbia.edu for completion and review purposes. However, an official score report must be submitted no later than August 15th; failure to submit an official score report by the deadline may result in the withdrawal of an offer of admission. Applicants who applied to law school without a valid LSAT or GRE score should submit a brief addendum explaining the circumstances related to standardized testing in which they applied to law school.

General Comments

Application Completion

Because the timeframe for the Transfer/Visiting admissions cycle is condensed, you are encouraged to request and submit materials—especially documents that must be received in hard copy and/or rely on third parties for completion, like the Dean's Appraisal/Certification, transcripts, and letters of recommendation—well in advance of the deadline. Late materials often delay or make impossible the review of a candidate's application. So that the Admissions Committee may review your application and render a decision within a reasonable amount of time, it is of the utmost importance to have read very carefully the application instructions above.

Tuition

Tuition for 2025-2026 is \$85,368. There are additional mandatory fees for transcripts, health and related services, student activities, and university services and support, which are \$3,022 for 2025-2026. Insurance for hospital care and standard medical coverage is also required (\$5,367) unless U.S. students can show proof of comparable coverage. To help ensure that international students have access to the highest quality of care on- and off-campus, Columbia University requires all international students to enroll in the Columbia Student Health Insurance Plan. For details regarding this requirement, please visit the [Health Services website](#). The total student budget for the nine-month academic year, including tuition, fees, housing, food, books & supplies, and personal expenses, is \$125,416. Expenses are adjusted annually.

Financial Aid

Transfer Students:

Transfer Students: Students admitted to the J.D. program with advanced standing are not considered for Columbia Law School grant assistance. Therefore, the Law School does not accept grant applications from students admitted with advanced standing in their second or third years. Because most transfer students may not be admitted until late in the summer, it is important that they begin the financial aid application process as soon as possible by completing the FAFSA, obtaining the Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN), and applying for approval on credit-based education loans. We ask that you complete your application for loan assistance only after accepting Columbia's offer of admission by submitting the following items to the Office of Financial Aid: the Financial Aid Questionnaire, applicable federal loan application materials to the Federal Direct Loan Program and/or private loan application(s) to the Law School, and all required supporting documents (e.g., SAR, verification form, taxes, etc.). The Office of Financial Aid will make every effort to expedite your loan applications so that you may have your funds early in the semester and, if possible, by the start of classes.

U.S. citizens and eligible noncitizens who plan on borrowing from the Federal Direct Loan Program or hope to qualify for federal work-study funding, should file their FAFSA applications by no later than the date they submit their applications for admission to the Law School. Additional loan funds may be available from private educational loan programs.

International students (not U.S. citizens and not eligible noncitizens) are not eligible for federally guaranteed assistance programs. In addition, they typically need to provide a U.S. cosigner in order to apply for private educational loan programs. Please refer to the Columbia Law School website (www.law.columbia.edu/about/departments/financial-aid) for additional information. We strongly advise all international students seeking educational loans to secure an eligible cosigner as early as possible.

Visiting Students:

Students from other U.S. law schools who have been accepted to take upper-class courses at Columbia Law School as nonmatriculants (receiving their J.D. degree from their home institution), and who need financial aid to meet their educational costs, must arrange with their home institution for the processing of their financial aid. The home institution must forward a Consortium Agreement Form to the Columbia Law School Office of Financial Aid, confirming that the home institution

will process all financial aid for its student. The Columbia Law School Office of Financial Aid will complete the Consortium Agreement Form and will verify the student's cost of attendance, dates of attendance, and enrollment status for the period of study at Columbia Law School. Please remember that Columbia Law School will not process any financial aid for the visiting, nonmatriculating student. Generally, the student's home institution will forward the financial aid proceeds to our Office of Financial Aid to be applied toward the student's Columbia University tuition and fee charges. In some cases, the home institution will send the loan proceeds directly to the student, who, in turn, will need to apply them toward payment of the Columbia University charges.

How to Apply for Financial Aid for 2026–2027

The following is a summary of the forms needed to apply for financial aid. For detailed information on financial aid policies and procedures, costs, budgets, and various loan programs, please review the financial aid website (law.columbia.edu/about/departments/financial-aid).

- **FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)**

Prior to submitting an application for admission, the FAFSA should be completed by all U.S. citizens and eligible noncitizens applying for financial aid and submitted to the federal processor (studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa). Columbia University's Title IV School Code: 002707.

- **Columbia Law School Financial Aid Questionnaire**

Upon acceptance to the Law School, transfer students can send an email to the Office of Financial Aid (financial_aid@law.columbia.edu) to receive the Columbia Law School Financial Aid Questionnaire.

- **Loan Application(s):**

Admitted transfer students intending to enroll at the Law School should submit completed loan application materials to the Office of Financial Aid as soon as they are admitted to ensure quick processing and availability of loan funds at the start of the semester for which they intend to enroll. Please refer to the financial aid website (law.columbia.edu/about/departments/financial-aid) for detailed information.

The Loan Repayment Assistance Program

Columbia Law School's Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) supports Columbia J.D. graduates who pursue public interest and public service careers by providing them with financial assistance to service the educational debt they assumed while at Columbia Law School. In addition, several fellowships for public interest have been established, and fellowship recipients may receive assistance for all loan payments on their

Columbia Law School debt. A full description of our LRAP can be found on the financial aid website (law.columbia.edu/financial-aid) or may be requested from the Office of Financial Aid.

Housing

Transfer students are eligible to apply for on-campus housing accommodations. However, availability is not guaranteed, regardless of when transfer students apply and are admitted, and priority is given to incoming first-year students.

Admitted transfer students must submit their enrollment deposit and activate their Columbia ID (UNI) in order to apply for housing. Additional housing information may be found on the Columbia Residential website (<https://residential.columbia.edu/>).

For specific questions, you may also contact the Office of Student Services at housing@law.columbia.edu.

Biographical

Prefix _____

Date of birth _____

First name _____

Place of birth: City _____

Middle name _____

Place of birth: Country _____

Last name _____

Place of birth: State/Province _____

Suffix _____

Gender _____

Previous (other) name _____

Social security number (last 4 digits) _____

Preferred first name _____

LSAC account number _____

Additional Biographical

If neither of your parents completed a 4-year undergraduate degree (or its equivalent), please check the box below:

The statement above applies to me.

If English is not your native language, when did you start to learn it?

If you were born outside the United States, but currently live in the United States, how old were you when you began living in this country?

Do you have a federal tribal affiliation?

Yes No

Please list your enrollment number (enrolled members only).

Demographics

Citizenship

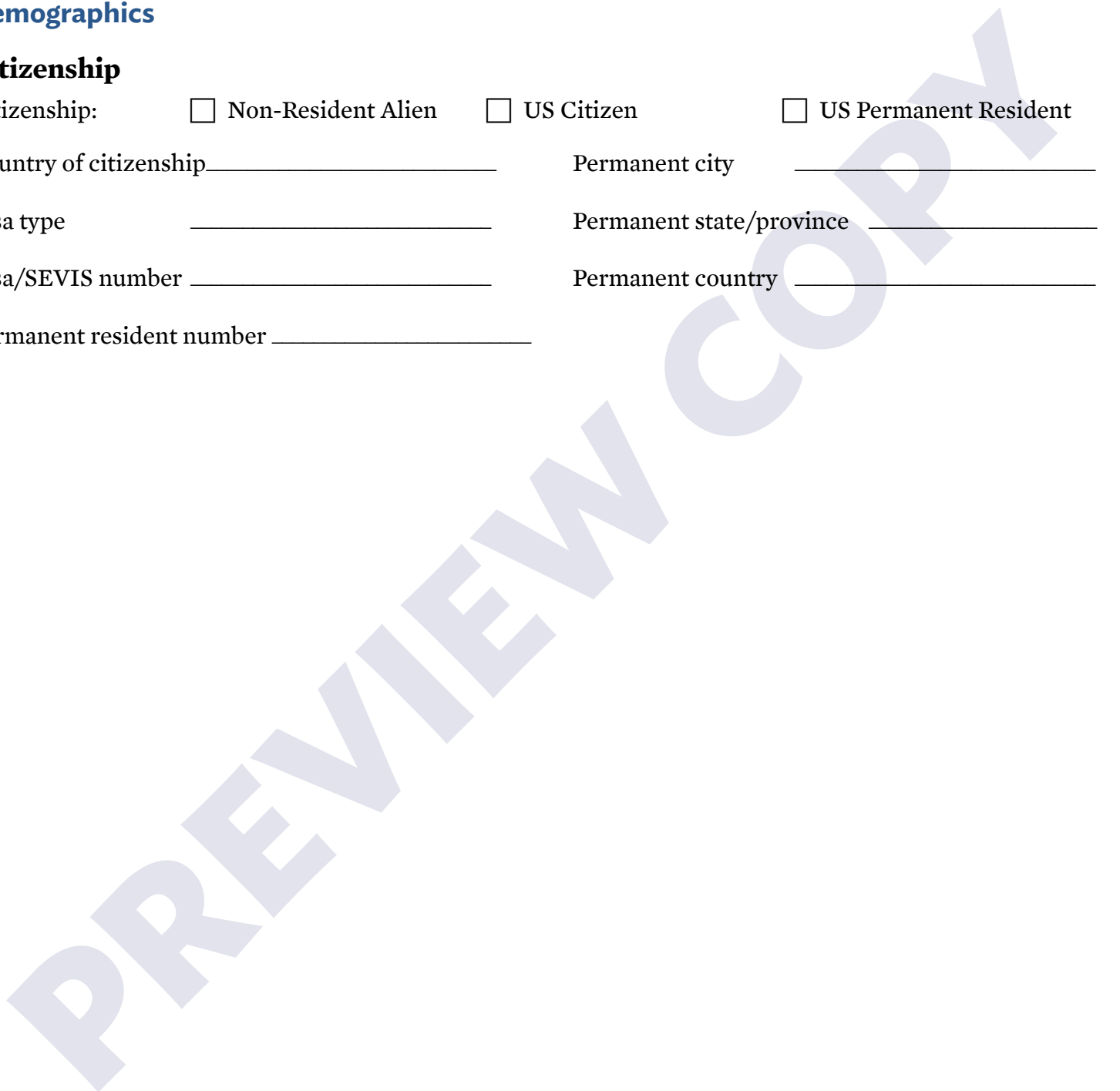
Citizenship: Non-Resident Alien US Citizen US Permanent Resident

Country of citizenship _____ Permanent city _____

Visa type _____ Permanent state/province _____

Visa/SEVIS number _____ Permanent country _____

Permanent resident number _____



Contact Information

Current Address

Country _____

Street address–line 1 _____

Street address–line 2 _____

Street address–line 3 _____

City _____

State/province _____

Zip/postal code _____

Current mailing address good until date: _____

Day phone _____

Evening phone _____

Permanent Address

Country _____

Street address–line 1 _____

Street address–line 2 _____

Street address–line 3 _____

City _____

State/province _____

Zip/postal code _____

Permanent mailing address good until date: _____

Day phone _____

Evening phone _____

Other Contact Information

Primary e-mail address _____

Secondary e-mail address _____

Mobile phone _____

Columbia University School of Law can send text messages to my mobile phone:

Yes No

Family Information

Parent/Guardian 1

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Age: _____

Deceased: Yes No

US Citizen: Yes No

Employment information (occupation; employer; retired). Enter N/A if not applicable.

College information (college; degree; year of graduation). Enter N/A if not applicable.

Professional or graduate school information (university; degree; year of graduation). Enter N/A if not applicable.

Parent/Guardian 2

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Age: _____

Deceased: Yes No

US Citizen: Yes No

Employment information (occupation; employer; retired). Enter N/A if not applicable.

College information (college; degree; year of graduation). Enter N/A if not applicable.

Professional or graduate school information (university; degree; year of graduation). Enter N/A if not applicable.

Education

List ALL educational institutions attended.

Institution type: High School Undergraduate Graduate Law Other Post Graduate

Institution name: _____

Major: _____

Country _____ Start date _____

State/Province _____ End date _____

City _____ Degree _____

GPA _____ Date degree granted _____

Rank _____

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Institution name: _____

Major: _____

Country _____ Start date _____

State/Province _____ End date _____

City _____ Degree _____

GPA _____ Date degree granted _____

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Institution name: _____

Major: _____

Country _____ Start date _____

State/Province _____ End date _____

City _____ Degree _____

GPA _____ Date degree granted _____

Rank _____

Education continued

Institution type: High School Undergraduate Graduate Law Other Post Graduate

Institution name: _____

Major: _____

Country _____ Start date _____

State/Province _____ End date _____

City _____ Degree _____

GPA _____ Date degree granted _____

Rank _____

Has your education in college, university, or professional school been interrupted for one term or more for any reason? Yes No

If your education was interrupted, please explain: _____

Transfer/Visiting

If you have previously applied to Columbia Law School, please indicate when: _____

Are you applying under the Transfer Early Decision Plan? If answer "Yes," you must attach a signed [Transfer Early Decision Contract](#) in the "Attachments" section of the application. Yes No

Are you currently enrolled at any law school? Yes No

If currently enrolled at any law school, are you currently on academic probation or not in good standing? If yes, please upload a written explanation in the "Attachments" section. Yes No

If no longer enrolled at any law school, did you leave on academic probation or not in good standing? If yes, please upload a written explanation in the "Attachments" section. Yes No

Are you currently or have you ever been in a part-time program? If yes, please upload a written explanation in the "Attachments" section. Yes No

Were you awarded an undergraduate degree prior to your matriculation at your current law school? Yes No

Do you have fewer than 28 or greater than 32 credits? If yes, please upload a written explanation in the "Attachments" section. Yes No

Transfer/Visiting (Continued)

Are you applying as a visiting student?

Yes

No

If you are applying as a visiting student, then please specify below the J.D. year (2L, 3L) and duration of the expected visitation. Kindly note that visiting as a 2L is permitted only for exceptional circumstances.

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Military

Have you served or are you now serving on full-time, active US military duty? Yes No

Date of entrance (month/year) _____ Expected military reserve or National Guard status during law school _____

Date of discharge (month/year) _____

Branch _____

Rank _____

Discharge type _____

Have you ever been separated from any branch of the US armed forces under less than honorable conditions? Yes No

If you have been separated from any branch of the US armed forces under less than honorable conditions, explain the circumstances.

Additional Information

Are you an international student (i.e., non-U.S. citizen and non-Permanent Resident)? If you answer “Yes,” you must submit a statement that discusses your reasons for wishing to study in the United States.

Yes No

Optional: In the space below, feel free to share any “fun facts” about yourself (hobbies, interests, special talents, and accomplishments, etc.) that the Admissions Committee may not be able to glean otherwise from your application. Please note that whether you choose to answer the question or not, there will be no impact on your admissions decision.

In the space below, please list any languages with which you are familiar and the corresponding level of fluency (intermediate, professional, fluent, native, etc.).

Character & Fitness

If you answer “Yes” to question 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, and/or 11.5 in the “Character and Fitness” section, you must attach a detailed, complete, and truthful written explanation in the “Attachments” section of the application. Please answer honestly, irrespective of any advice you may have received to the contrary.

Have you ever been on academic probation or subjected to disciplinary action for scholastic or other reasons by any college, university, graduate school, or professional school you have attended? This should include matters that have been expunged. In addition to attaching a written explanation in the “Attachments” section of the application, kindly have the Dean or administrative officer in charge of student records forward a detailed explanation of the incident.

Yes No

Are there any disciplinary charges pending or expected to be brought against you? In addition to attaching a written explanation in the “Attachments” section of the application, kindly have the Dean or administrative officer in charge of student records forward a detailed explanation of the incident.

Yes No

Have you ever, either as an adult or a juvenile, been cited, arrested, charged with, indicted, convicted or tried for, or pleaded guilty to, the commission of any felony or misdemeanor or the violation of any law, except minor parking violations, or been the subject of any juvenile delinquency or youthful offender proceeding? This should include matters that may have been expunged from the records or subject to a diversionary program. Please note that you should have available and be prepared to submit or exhibit copies of police and court records regarding any matter you disclose in reply to this question. If you answered “Yes,” you must attach a detailed, complete, and truthful explanation, including a statement of the charge(s), the disposition thereof and the underlying facts. Please answer honestly, irrespective of any advice you may have received to the contrary.

Yes No

Are there any criminal charges pending or expected to be brought against you?

Yes No

Have you ever been subject to disciplinary action or discharge by a professional organization, e.g., an employer, certifying agency, or accreditation board?

Yes No

In addition to a bar examination, there are character, fitness, and other qualifications for admission to the bar in every U.S. jurisdiction. Applicants are encouraged to determine the requirements for any jurisdiction in which they intend to seek admission by contacting the jurisdiction. Addresses for all relevant agencies are available through the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

I acknowledge the above statement. Yes

Letters of Recommendation

List the name(s) of law faculty members writing letters of recommendation on your behalf. Please note that transfer applicants must submit two letters of recommendation from law faculty members, and visiting applicants must submit one letter of recommendation from a law faculty member.

Résumé

Please upload a résumé of up to two pages detailing, among other things, significant full- or part-time employment positions held, internships, summer employment, community service, and schools attended. In addition, the résumé should include a summary of written scholarships, presentations, and extracurricular activities.

I confirm that I have uploaded my résumé: Yes

Personal Statement

Candidates to Columbia Law School are required to submit a personal essay or statement supplementing required application materials. This statement may provide the Admissions Committee with information regarding such matters as: personal, intellectual, and professional experiences; reasons for transferring to or visiting at Columbia Law School as they may relate to personal goals and professional expectations; or any other factors that you think should inform the Committee's evaluation of your candidacy for admission.

I confirm that I have uploaded my personal statement: Yes

Certification

Please be aware that this application and the materials filed in support, including your answers and any information included in the Character and Fitness section, will be retained by Columbia Law School and made available to the committee of character and fitness of the state(s) in which you intend to practice. Admission to any state bar depends on adequate academic performance, satisfactory completion of the bar examination, and proof of good character as required by the particular jurisdiction. Honesty in the law school application and admission process is essential in satisfying the requirements of good character required by state bars. Please be sure to consult the bar admission authorities in the state(s) in which you intend to practice for all the requirements necessary for admission to that jurisdiction.

By submitting this application, I certify that I submitted all materials directly, not through an agent or third-party vendor, except as set forth in the application instructions pertaining to letters of recommendation, academic transcripts, and dean's certifications. I further certify that the application I have provided is exclusively my own work and that no agent, third-party vendor, educational consultant, or artificial intelligence tool or service has written or modified any component of the application, essays, attachments, or any other material submitted as part of the application for admission.

I understand that materials received by Columbia Law School in connection with this application become the property of the school; as such, all materials are subject to verification by the Admissions Committee and are not returnable.

I further certify that I have reviewed all materials submitted to Columbia University and/or LSAC as part of this application and confirm that all are accurate, authentic, true, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I shall promptly amend the foregoing application should there be a change in any of the facts therein and shall notify the Office of Admissions of such changes as they occur.

I agree and understand that any misrepresentation due to misdirected, inaccurate, or omitted information, false statements or falsified documents will be grounds for an examination of misconduct in the admissions process, rejection of my application, rescission of admission offer, disciplinary action, including cancellation of academic credit, suspension, expulsion, or revocation of degree if discovered at a later date.

I further agree and understand that Columbia Law School reserves the right to withdraw an offer of admission if I: (1) show a significant decline in academic performance or fail to graduate; (2) misrepresent any matter in dealing with the Office of Admissions, Financial Aid Office, or any other representative of Columbia Law School; (3) behave in a manner that indicates a serious lack of judgment, sincerity, or integrity; or (4) reserve a place in Columbia Law School's entering class and simultaneously commit to enroll at another law school or submit a deposit to another law school. I also agree and understand that Columbia Law School further reserves the right to make the continuing validity of an offer of admission contingent upon my providing further information or authorizing the release of information from other parties in connection with any matter relevant to the foregoing.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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