

**2026 SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES ADMISSIONS CEREMONY TRIP
SCWLA EVENT APPLICATION**

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The 2026 group admissions ceremony for the South Carolina Women Lawyers' Association is scheduled for **Thursday, May 14, 2026**. A member of South Carolina's judiciary will move for the admittance of our group to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS). This is an application to participate in this group event. It and the SCWLA Administrative Fee are different from and in addition to the Court's Application for Admission to Practice and the Court's admissions fee (currently \$200).

There only 50 admission slots, but all SCWLA members may participate. (Historically, the Supreme Court will not guarantee seating for more than one guest per admittee but limited general public seating may be available for other guests and the general public).

After December 10, 2025, the event will be opened up to members of non-SCWLA members (SCWLA members will still be able to apply).

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| Date Received: _____ |
| SCWLA App. Pmt Rec'd: _____ |
| SCWLA App. Complete: _____ |
| Returned for more Information: _____ |
| Confirmation Sent: _____ |

Name: _____

Address: _____

Office Telephone: _____

Mobile Telephone: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

Are you a member of SCWLA? Yes No

NOTE: If not already a member, you may join online (SCWLA.org) prior to completing this application.

Are you already admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States? Yes No

EVENT REGISTRATION FEE: Please note that the event application fee must be paid by all persons participating in the admissions ceremony event. That fee for SCWLA members is \$100. That fee for non-SCWLA members is \$200. The non-SCWLA member event registration fee is \$100 more than what SCWLA members pay (those currently not members of SCWLA may join online for \$85 and then only pay the \$100 registration fee and enjoy other perks of SCWLA membership, including free CLEs).

LODGING: There are lots of hotels in and around Washington, D.C. Nearby hotels used by those participating in SCWLA's past admissions ceremonies have included the Phoenix Park Hotel (520 North Capitol Street NW) and Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill (400 New Jersey Avenue NW). The Supreme Court is in the Capitol Hill area (next to the Library of Congress and across the street from the Capitol; within walking distance in that same area are the Smithsonian Museums, the Mall area near the Lincoln Memorial and other national monuments, the White House, and Union Station). In addition to shops, restaurants, and a movie theater, Union Station is home to a major Metro (subway) stop and railroad station. Most hotels in the District of Columbia and in the surrounding areas (including Arlington and Alexandria, Virginia, and Chevy Chase, Maryland) are close to Metro stops so that transportation to and from the Court and other sites on Capitol Hill is readily available and convenient.

GUESTS: Admissions Ceremony Guest Information: Except for the time period immediately following the re-opening of the Court after the COVID-19 epidemic, the Court has historically restricted the number of applicants' guests **guaranteed** to have a seat to **one per applicant**. There is also public seating, but additional guests will have to wait in line with the public for those seats. (Children under six may not enter the Courtroom.)

If you are bringing a guest(s), please identify (for adult guests, please provide full name as it appears on driver's license; for child guests, please provide full name and age), and indicate if they are attending any of the SCWLA organized events (e.g., group Dutch-treat dinner, group breakfast, and/or any arranged tours). You must pay the event administrative fee for each guest who will be participating in any SCWLA organized event.

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Please include the full name of any guests, along with whether they will be attending the ceremony (please note that only one guest seat per applicant is guaranteed by the Court) and/or any of the organized events.

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NOTE: use additional sheets for additional guests.

ORGANIZED EVENTS: If there is interest, SCWLA will try to arrange for a group dinner (**with each person paying for their own dinner**) on the Wednesday night before the ceremony. If the Court is allowing catered events, SCWLA will arrange for breakfast in a private conference room at the Supreme Court on the morning of the ceremony for admittees and the guests for whom the event administration fee is paid. *SCWLA will also try to arrange for group tours of some of the government buildings in the area. Please note that, depending upon security requirements of the various buildings/institutions for which we will try to arrange group tours (such as the Capitol and White House), additional information may be needed (social security numbers, birth dates, etc.).* **Because of advance notice for submitting such information, persons who submit their event applications after January 2, 2026, may not be able to participate in all or some of those tours.** Please let us know if you would be interested in participating:

WEDNESDAY night, May 13: ____ Yes ____ No No. of Guests: ____

BREAKFAST on THURSDAY morning, May 14: ____ Yes ____ No No. of Guests: ____

TOURS: ____ Yes ____ No Preferred day(s): ____ May 13 ____ May 14 ____ May 15 No. of Guests: ____

SUPREME COURT APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION: Please note that the SCOTUS Application for Admission to Practice and instructions are available on the Court's [website](#); Please print and read all of the instructions). **To participate in SCWLA's group admission ceremony, you MUST complete and submit this Application for Admission to Practice to the Court through SCWLA (please mail it to SCWLA at below address) along with a check covering the admissions fee for receipt by SCWLA no later than March 2, 2026.**

The SCOTUS requires that, for group admissions, the admission applications of all applicants must be submitted together by SCWLA at least eight weeks before the admissions ceremony; SCWLA sets the deadline for its receipt of the applications approximately two weeks before so that, if there are any issues with applications (past examples include missing signatures or signatures in the wrong places; missing good standing certificate, missing check, etc.), they can be remedied before the group packet must be set to the Court.

SUBMISSION OF EVENT APPLICATION: Please send this Event Application and check (payable to SCWLA) for the event fee no later than February 15, 2026, to:

SCWLA – SCOTUS Admissions
Post Office Box 11910
Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

You will also need to mail your SCOTUS application for Admission to this same address for receipt no later than March 2, 2026. **Further information will be shared by email once your SCWLA registration is received.**

The SCWLA Administrative Fee is **nonrefundable after February 20, 2026** (see “Deadlines” below). You may email questions to Amie Clifford at aclifford@cpc.sc.gov or Mikki Lindler at executivedirector@scwla.org.

DEADLINES (more information above):

- January 2, 2026:** • **INITIAL Deadline for RECEIPT OF SCWLA Event Applications** (spots will be filled in the order in which applications received) **if wish to be included in requested tours of certain sites** – see Page 1).
- February 15, 2026:** • **FINAL Deadline for RECEIPT OF SCWLA Event Applications** (spots will be filled in the order in which applications received).
- February 20, 2026:** • **LAST DAY TO CANCEL AND RECEIVE REFUND** of SCWLA Event Fee.
- March 2, 2026:** • **FINAL Deadline for RECEIPT OF SCOTUS Applications for Admission** (with fees made payable to the Court – see application instructions). Application **MUST ACTUALLY BE RECEIVED** no later than this date because SCOTUS requires all applications for the group admission to be submitted as part of a single package.