



# U.S. Supreme Court Admissions Trip

**WHEN:**

Ceremony: Thursday, May 14, 2026

Events: May 13 - 15, 2026

**WHO:**

SCWLA members who have been admitted to practice in the highest court of a State, Commonwealth, Territory or Possession, or D.C. for a period of at least three years immediately before the date of application; must not have been the subject of any adverse disciplinary action pronounced or in effect during that three-year period; and must appear to the Court to be of good moral and professional character.

**WHY:**

**OBSERVE THE JUSTICES IN ACTION ON A NON-ARGUMENT DAY AND EXPLORE THE COURT. ENJOY THE FELLOWSHIP OF YOUR FELLOW WOMEN LAWYERS AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SPRING SEASON TO VISIT HISTORIC SITES, NATIONAL MONUMENTS, AND MUSEUMS LOCATED IN THE D.C. AREA. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE A GROUP TOUR OF THE WHITE HOUSE.**

**NOTE: WHILE THERE ARE ONLY 50 SLOTS FOR LAWYERS WHO WANT TO BE ADMITTED, SCWLA MEMBERS WHO HAVE ALREADY BEEN ADMITTED ARE WELCOME TO REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE.**

For more information, please go to [www.SCWLA.org](http://www.SCWLA.org) or call Amie Clifford at (803) 832-8275



The 2026 Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) group admissions ceremony for the South Carolina Women Lawyers' Association will take place on Thursday, May 14. A South Carolina judge will join us and move in open court for the admission of our group to the Court's Bar. We have arranged for up to 50 lawyers to have this once in a lifetime opportunity.

To participate, please complete the group event application available on SCWLA's website, [www.scwla.org](http://www.scwla.org). That application and the \$100 SCWLA Administrative Fee (covers administrative costs, reception on Thursday night, and, if catering is allowed at the Court, a private breakfast at the Supreme Court) are different from and in addition to the Court's Application for Admission to Practice and application fee of \$200. The SCWLA Event Application and SCWLA event fee are due by February 15, 2025. **The SCOTUS's Admission Application and the \$200 application fee must be actually received by SCWLA no later than March 2.** Applications will be accepted in the order in which they are received until the group is full.

Because of the limited number of members who may be admitted on May 14, 2026, all interested SCWLA members should contact Amie Clifford ([aclifford@cpc.sc.gov](mailto:aclifford@cpc.sc.gov) or 803-832-8275) before submitting applications. Members already admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States may participate in the trip by completing only the Event Application and submitting it, with the \$100.00 SCWLA Administrative Fee, by the deadline set out above. While members are welcome to bring guests, the Supreme Court is will only guarantee each lawyer to be admitted seating for one guest.

Information about hotels, transportation to and around the D.C. area, and other matters will be provided after event applications are received.

*A certificate of good standing from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of South Carolina (or another state in which you are admitted) is required of each applicant by the SCOTUS.*

**To Obtain Certificate of Good Standing from SCOSC:** Request by letter, with \$25 payment from the Office of Bar Admissions (fee subject to change; see Rule 423, SCACR or call 803-734-1317). Send your letter and fee to: Supreme Court of South Carolina, Attn: Office of Bar Admissions at P.O. Box 11330, Columbia, SC 29211 (or, if hand-delivering or sending overnight, use 1231 Gervais Street, Columbia, SC 29201).