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Ernst Scholarship Application Period Opens

The Property Records Industry Association (PRIA) has announced the opening of the application period for the [Ernst Scholarship Award](#) for the 2017-18 membership year beginning on August 1, 2017. Scholarships are offered to one public and one private sector individual each year. This award was established by Ernst Publishing Co., in conjunction with PRIA, in recognition of the late Carl R. Ernst, for his contributions to PRIA and the extended property records industry.

According to PRIA President Mark Ladd, “The late Carl Ernst was one of the original members of the Property Records Industry Joint Task Force, the predecessor to PRIA, and a tireless advocate for the development of both eRecording and basic standards for the property records industry. We could not be more pleased to partner with Ernst Publishing Co. in sponsoring this scholarship.”

The award criteria, established in 2013, require that eligible applicants have not previously been members of PRIA and have demonstrated exceptional accomplishments in their chosen fields, been active in their communities and proven service consistent with the mission and values of PRIA.

This year’s recipients will be selected by a committee that includes the PRIA officers and a representative of Ernst Publishing Co. Deadline for receipt of applications is June 15.

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The Property Records Industry Association (PRIA) develops and promotes national standards and best practices for the land records industry. PRIA is a coalition of government and business partners collaborating to formulate positions on issues of common interest. PRIA strives to identify areas of consensus within the industry, leading to recommendations for national standards pertaining to recordable documents. For more information, visit www.pria.us.