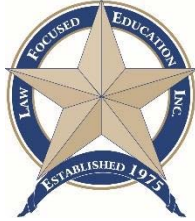


Law Focused Education, Inc.



2-15-19

Chris Oddo
Barron, Addler, Clough & Oddo, LLP
808 Nueces St.
Austin 7801

Re: Request for Permission to File Litigation Section Grant Application

Dear Mr. Oddo:

Law Focused Education, Inc. would like to request permission to file a grant application with the State Bar of Texas Litigation Section for upgrading the What Do Attorneys Do? State Bar of Texas project. We are submitting this request so that LFEI and Law-Related Education and the Litigation Section may partner to improve the litigation process and justice system in the State of Texas by educating the public on the role of lawyers in the justice system. Additionally it serves to provide a catalyst for a discussion on the practice of law and supports attorneys as they interact with students in our schools.

1. Name of the program, project, committee, or section seeking funds.

Project Name: What Do Attorneys Do Animations

Requesting Committee/Section: Law Focused Education Committee, Law Focused Education, Inc. and the Law-Related Education Department

2. Name and position of the individual making the request; if a committee or section, then a statement should be included advising whether the project was endorsed by a majority of the committee or section.

Jan Miller, Director of Law-Related Education

3. Description of the project and the time frame for its implementation and conclusion.

This grant will animate the 10 attorney scenarios we have developed to educate the public about the role of attorneys and the different types of attorneys. These scenarios cover both civil and criminal law as well as the different types of attorneys.

The current scenarios are static and require an attorney to be present to explain what is happening in the scenario. By creating animations students would be able to view and understand the role of attorneys independently. This would be especially beneficial to younger learners who have not yet learned to read. The scenarios cover the following topics:

- Trial
- Defense
- Attorney Preparation
- Family Law
- Transactional attorneys
- Government attorneys
- Legal Aid
- Community Outreach
- Immigration
- Entertainment Law

Attorneys would be able to use the animations to aid in presentations to classrooms and schools would be able to utilize these animations as part of their career days even if it was not possible for an attorney to be present.

The animations would be located on the www.texaslre.org site under the ***What Do Attorneys Do*** section and would be similar in style to the animations found on the [I Was the First website](#). The animations would be accessible on all platforms and be closed captioned. Closed captioning not only supports those that are hearing impaired but supports learners who are still learning English. Being able to see and hear the words supports language development.

Additionally, this grant would provide for the creation of a game/quiz that would engage students and assess their learning as a result of the animations.

4. Statement of whether funds from outside sources have been previously solicited for the project and the result of that solicitation.

No funds or outside sources have been previously solicited for this project.

5. Detailed budget of expenses.

Animation Production (including script development and production) \$7,500

Total Anticipated Cost: \$7,500

6. Disclosure of all sources of funding for the project.

At this time funding will come solely from funds that might be received from the State Bar of Texas Litigation Section.

7. Statement of whether or not matching funds will be expected from the State Bar.

Matching funds are not expected from the State Bar.

8. Statement of whether or not the project meets a particular need of the State Bar.

This project helps fulfill the State Bar of Texas mission statement by

- To educate the public about the Rule of Law and the role of judges, lawyers, and the public in the justice system.
- To provide forums for the discussion of subjects pertaining to the practice of law, the science of jurisprudence and law reform, and the relationship of the state bar to the public.

9. Does the project meet a critical need of the State Bar?

Yes, this project helps the State Bar meet the goal of its mission statement, referenced above, which embodies the essence of our State Bar's existence.

10. Are there other State Bar programs currently providing or implementing a similar project or service?

No.

11. Can any portion of the funds being requested be deferred to the next budget year?

No

12. Identification of the target group that will benefit from the grant.

While we will be targeting attorneys that speak to K-12 students, this program will also benefit K-12 educators, school administrators, parents, and the general public.

13. Confirmation that a copy of the completed application has been forwarded to the Executive Director.

Executive Director, Trey Apffel, is copied on this letter.
A copy of the State Bar of Texas Litigation Grant Application will be forwarded to Mr. Apffel as well.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. Please do reach out and contact me with any questions about this project or this request.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jan L. Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "M".

Jan Miller
Director
Law-Related Education

cc: Trey Apffel (via e-mail)
Ray Cantu (via e-mail)
KaLyn Laney (via e-mail)
Josh Caldwell, Law Focused Education, Inc. (via e-mail)
Kevin Vela, Law Focused Education Committee