

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
COLLEGE PARK

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 14, 1934

P. A. Pearson

Mr. Donald G. Murray
1522 McCulloh Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your request of
December 8 for information concerning our
School of Law.

Under the general laws of this State
the University maintains the Princess Anne Academy
as a separate institution of higher learning for
the education of Negroes. In order to insure equality
of opportunity for all citizens of this State, the 1933
Legislature passed Chapter 234, creating partial scholar-
ships at Morgan College or institutions outside of the
State for Negro students who may desire to take profes-
sional courses or other work not given at the Princess
Anne Academy.

Should you desire to make application for such
scholarship notify me, and I will see that such appli-
cation is duly filed.

Very truly yours

R. A. Pearson

R. A. Pearson,
President.

2. *Petitioners Exhibit A*

*APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION to the School of—Dentistry ; Law ; Day Evening ; Medicine ; Nursing ; Pharmacy
 (If applying for advanced standing, name the class.....)

Full name (print in ink) DONALD GAINES Murray
 (first name) (middle name) (last name)

Home (permanent) address 1522 McCallok St Baltimore Baltimore Maryland
 (street and number) (city or post office) (county) (state)

Present (temporary) address Same as permanent
 (street and number) (city or post office) (county) (state)

Educational institutions attended: secondary school(s), college(s), university(ies), professional school(s).
 (List in order of attendance. Do not omit the name of any institution where you have been a student.)

<u>Ingress High School, Baltimore</u> (full name and location of institution)	<u>4 years — 1925 — 1929</u> (number of years in attendance—dates of attendance)
<u>Lincoln University, Lincoln, Pa.</u> (full name and location of institution)	<u>1929-30 — 1 year</u> (number of years in attendance—dates of attendance)
<u>Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.</u> (full name and location of institution)	<u>4 years — 1930 — 34</u> (number of years in attendance—dates of attendance)

Date of graduation from secondary school June 1929 Date of graduation from college June 1934 Degree A.B.
 (month — year) (month — year)

Not to be filled out by applicant

Paid \$2.00.	M. O.	Ch.	Cash,
Rec'd ..	Ack'd ..	Posted	
App. No.	Cert. No.		

Donald Gaines Murray
 (signature of applicant)*

If applicant is a minor (under 21 years of age) signature of parent or guardian, also

* Return this application blank, together with an investigation fee of two dollars (\$2.00, preferably a money order made out to the University of Maryland), to the Office of the Registrar, University of Maryland, Baltimore. Do not include the fee if you have applied previously for admission, or have been registered in another division of the University of Maryland.

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Philadelphia, Pa May 4, 1913 American Negro Yes
 (place of birth of applicant) (date of birth—month, day, year) (nationality) (race) (citizen of the United States?)
Male A. M. E.
 (sex) (church membership) (if not a member, church preference)

(If applicant is an adult and married, give full name of wife) (If applicant is an adult and not married, give full name and home address of nearest relatives)
Grandmother Widow Minnie Lillian Gaines 1522 McCallok St
 (relationship to applicant) (occupation) (nationality) (race) (citizen of the United States?)
Single
 (married / single)

(If applicant is a minor, give full name of parent or guardian) (home address of parent or guardian)
 (relationship to applicant) (occupation) (nationality) (race) (citizen of the United States?)

Important Notes

If applicant has attended another college or university, and is not eligible (scholastically) to return to that institution, this application should not be filed. It will not be considered.

Before this application is filed, consult the proper school bulletin for the details of admission requirements.
 Do not send in any educational records unless requested to do so by the office of the Registrar, University of Maryland. This office will write for all records after the application has been received.

~~Each applicant for admission must submit with the application two small, unmounted personal photographs (not larger than 2" x 3 1/2") taken recently. In sets of 4.~~

Each applicant for admission to the School of Medicine must have sent to the Office of the Registrar, University of Maryland, Baltimore, a letter of recommendation from the premedical committee, or letters from one instructor in each of the departments of biology, chemistry, and physics, of the institution where the premedical courses were taken.

An applicant who lives in or who expects to practise medicine in New York, New Jersey, or Pennsylvania, or dentistry in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, or Connecticut, and who is accepted as a student by the University of Maryland, must obtain from his respective state board of education the appropriate professional student qualifying certificate or general statement of state approval. This document must be filed in the Office of the Registrar, University of Maryland, Baltimore.

If there has been an interim since you attended school or college, please indicate on a separate sheet what has been your employment (give name and address of employer or employers) or other activity (give name and address of an acceptable reference).

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UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
BALTIMORE

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR
LOMBARD AND GREENE STREETS

February 9, 1935

Handwritten signature/initials

Mr. Donald G. Murray
1522 McCulloh Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Sir:

On December 14, 1934, President Pearson wrote to you as follows:

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Should you desire to make application for such scholarship notify me, and I will see that such application is duly filed.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Pearson,
President."

Later you filed a formal application for admission to our School of Law, and enclosed a money order for two dollars.

President Pearson instructed me today to return to you the application form and the money order, as the University does not accept Negro

Mr. Donald G. Murray
February 9, 1935

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students, except at the Princess Anne Academy.

Truly yours,


W. M. Hillegeist
Registrar

WMH/MB
Enc.

1522 McCulloh Street
Baltimore, Maryland
March 3, 1935

The Board of Regents
University of Maryland
Fidelity Building
Baltimore, Maryland

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Madam and Gentlemen:

On January 24, 1935, pursuant to and in accordance with the rules and regulations set out in "The Catalogue and Announcement of the School of Law" (1934), I made application to be admitted as a student in the University of Maryland Law School September-1935 and forwarded the prescribed two dollars (\$2.00) by a P.O. money order for investigation fee. By letter dated February 9, 1935, the officials of the University refused to consider the application and returned the application and money order.

I am a citizen of the State of Maryland and fully qualified to become a student of the University of Maryland Law School. No other State institution affords a legal education. The arbitrary actions of the officials of the University of Maryland in returning my application was unjust and unreasonable and contrary to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and laws of this State. I, therefore, appeal to you as the governing body of the University to accept the enclosed application and money order and have my qualifications investigated within a reasonable time. After finding that I am qualified you are further requested to admit me as a regular student of the University of Maryland Law School. I am ready, willing and able to meet all requirements as a student, to pay whatever dues are required of residents of the State and to apply myself diligently to my work.

Will you please advise me at your earliest convenience of the action taken on this appeal, and upon my application.

Very truly yours,

Donald S Murray

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
COLLEGE PARK

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 8, 1935.

Mr. Donald J. Murray,
1522 McCulloch Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Murray:

Your registered letter received.

I think I can best answer your letter by referring you to my letter of December 14, 1934, copy of which is enclosed. I am returning the money order for \$2.00 herewith.

May I bring to your attention the exceptional facilities open to you for the study of law in Howard University in Washington. This institution is supported largely, if not entirely, by the Federal Government. It has one of the best plants in the country. Its School of Law is rated as Class "A". It is fully approved by the American Bar Association and it is a member of the Association of American Law Schools. I understand the cost of attending the Howard University School of Law is only about \$135.00 per year, plus a nominal matriculation fee when first entering and a nominal diploma fee on graduation. This is considerably less than is paid by students in the School of Law in the University of Maryland. Their payments in the Day School are approximately \$203 per year and in the Night School, \$153 per year, plus somewhat larger charges than Howard University for investigation, matriculation and diploma.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Pearson,
President.

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Enclosures

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REMITTEE
Donald G. Murray

1522 McCulloch St.

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