



RSPCA Australia Sybil Emslie Animal Law Scholarship 2026

10th Anniversary

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: **MIDNIGHT FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2026**

For the last 10 years, the Sybil Emslie Animal Law Scholarship has celebrated Sybil Emslie's life-long commitment to the care and protection of animals by encouraging legal scholarship and practice dedicated to advancing animal welfare.

The \$2,500 annual scholarship will be awarded to an animal lawyer or law student for contribution to animal law literature, and a commitment to the practice of animal law through active and substantial engagement with animal law and animal protection organisations and initiatives. The Scholarship is administered by RSPCA Australia with funds contributed by Sybil Emslie's family and other donors.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must:

1. Be either enrolled in an undergraduate law degree, or enrolled or aspiring to enrol in a higher research degree within an Australian law school, or be a practising lawyer within an Australian jurisdiction.
2. Demonstrate their commitment to the practice of animal law through active and substantial engagement with animal law and animal protection organisations and initiatives.
3. Demonstrate how their research or practising activity will benefit the development and application of animal law and animal protection more broadly.

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

The recipient will receive an award of \$2,500 and a certificate to recognise the award from RSPCA Australia and the Sybil Emslie Animal Law Scholarship Fund.

Applications close: Midnight Friday 4 September 2026

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Interested applicants are invited to submit the following to RSPCA Australia at **science@rspca.org.au**:

1. A curriculum vitae
2. A 500 word statement

The statement should outline:

- Your commitment to animal law including your active and substantial engagement with animal law and animal protection organisations and initiatives.
- How your research or practising activity benefits the development and application of animal law and animal protection more broadly.