

SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS
2009-2010

ATTENTION STUDENTS: This is a running list and will be updated bi-monthly while classes are in session. Applications or additional information regarding the following scholarships are regularly made available in Student Affairs, room105C. Note: For some scholarships there is an internal campus deadline which is often earlier than the deadlines listed below.

Scholarship scams: *If you have to pay money to get money, it's probably a scam.* To learn more:

<http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml>

Please note: Scholarship Telemarketing Fraud Scheme!

The Office of Inspector General at the U.S. Department of Education has become aware of a potential fraud scheme involving persons claiming to represent the U.S. Department of Education who are calling students and offering them scholarships or grants. These callers request a bank or credit card account number saying the information will be used to charge a \$249 processing fee. The Department of Education does not charge a processing fee to obtain federal education grants. DO NOT give your financial information to individuals making these claims! If you receive one of these calls, please contact the Office of Inspector General immediately. If you have provided bank or credit card information to the callers, you should take the following steps:

- Immediately contact your bank, explain the situation, and request that the bank monitor or close the compromised account.
- Notify the police about the incident; impersonating a federal officer, telemarketing fraud schemes, and identity theft are crimes.
- Report the fraud to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Inspector General hotline at 1-800-MIS-USED (1-800-647-8733) or oig.hotline@ed.gov. Special agents in the Office of Inspector General investigate fraud involving federal education dollars.
- Contact the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP or <http://www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams>

Scholarship providers normally reserve the right to make any changes in their stated procedures and guidelines, and to discontinue any award. Furthermore, you must rely on the primary source of the organization's announcement kept on file at Student Affairs, the library or the organization's website. The Office of Student Affairs is not responsible for your reliance on any errors in this listing.

NOTE: If you are requesting a transcript from the Records Office, please be aware that it will take 4 business days to receive it.

Schenectady County Bar Association: John Alexander Memorial Scholarship Fund

Applicants must reside in Schenectady County and be full time candidates for a JD or Bachelor of Law Degree at an accredited New York Law School.

Award: To be determined, 2008-2009 scholarship distribution recipients received \$2, 208.23.

Deadline: November 15, 2009

Apply to: State of New York, Supreme Court Chambers, 612 State Street, Schenectady, New York 12305

For Information: (518) 285-8422

The William Charnley Law Scholarship

Hughes Hall, Cambridge offers two annual scholarships to LLM applicants

Deadline: November 17, 2009

For more information: <http://www.hughes.cam.ac.uk/index.html?section=admissions&page=LLM>

The Loyola Law School Center for Juvenile Law and Policy: W.M. Keck Summer Fellowship Summer 2010

The Loyola Law School Center will award two (2) summer fellowships to law students who have demonstrated a commitment to public interest law, criminal defense and children's issues.

The fellowship provides a generous stipend for two months beginning June 1, 2010.

ALL APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO: Center for Juvenile Law and Policy at Loyola Law School, 919 Albany Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015.

Deadline: November 20, 2009

For more information: http://calbar.ca.gov/state/calbar/calbar_generic.jsp?cid=10169&id=1342

Queens Catholic Lawyers Guild Scholarships

Eligibility: Full-time 2nd or 3rd year law students who live, or attend law school, in Queens.

Award: Three (3) \$1500 scholarships

Deadline: November 20, 2009

Scholarship applications should be mailed to: Catholic Lawyers Guild Queens County, Inc., P.O. Box 862, Flushing, NY 11354

The American Bar Association-BAR/BRI Bar Review Scholarship

The American Bar Association's Law Student Division (ABA/LSD) and BAR/BRI will be awarding partial scholarships to ABA/LSD members who are December 2009 or May 2010 graduates to be applied toward BAR/BRI Bar review tuition.

Deadline: Postmarked by November 30, 2009 (February and July 2010 bar examinees)

For application and instructions: <http://www.abanet.org/lsd/barbri.pdf>

2010 Commercial and Federal Litigation Section Minority Fellowship

The Fellowship will be awarded to a current first year (1L) minority law student who is enrolled in a law school in the State of New York to work in a litigation position in the public sector in the State of New York during the summer of 2010.

Award: \$5000

Deadline: January 29, 2010

Mail inquiries for application and instructions: The New York Bar Foundation, One Elk Street, Albany, NY 12207

Belle Zeller Scholarship Trust Fund-2L

Eligibility: Applicants must have completed at least one year of law school to be eligible and must be registered for the current semester and be in active full-time attendance at the CUNY Law School.

Criteria for Selection: a) A 3.75 GPA, b) written recommendations by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and at least two other faculty members of the CUNY Law School, c) two additional letters of evaluation which offer evidence of leadership and social commitment, d) other evidence of scholarship and merit such as honors and awards, publications and papers delivered at scholarly meetings. Award is based on outstanding academic achievement, noteworthy social commitment as measured by service to the university and other communities, and character.

Award: Belle Zeller Scholars receive an amount equivalent to undergraduate tuition in the CUNY schools for the following year.

Deadline: Postmarked prior to February 26, 2010 (You must bring all materials to the Student Affairs Office 105C by 2pm February 25th.)

For application and information: <http://www.citytech.cuny.edu/bzmaterials/forms/lawschool.pdf>

For more information: Write to the Belle Zeller Scholarship Trust Fund, c/o NYCCT Foundation; 300 Jay Street, Namm 323; Brooklyn NY 11201 or email bzscholarship@citytech.cuny.edu

Hispanic Scholarship Fund: Atrisco Heritage Foundation Scholarship

The HSF is a not-for-profit organization whose vision is to strengthen the country by advancing college education among Hispanic Americans.

Eligibility: Latinos who are heirs of the Atrisco Land Grant of New Mexico. Applicant may reside nationwide and be graduating high school seniors, undergraduate or **graduate students**.

Deadline: February 28, 2010

Award: HSF scholarship award amounts range from \$1,000-\$5,000.

For more information: <http://www.hsf.net/atrisco.aspx> and <https://apply.hsf.net/applications/> (application instructions.)

Bronx County Bar Association

The Bronx County Bar Association will award two (2) scholarships, in the amount of \$3,000.00 each, to eligible 1st, 2nd and 3rd year law school students who are domiciled in Bronx County. Applications will be available December 15th, 2009.

Deadline: February 2010

For more information: <http://www.bronxbar.com/scholarships.htm>

The New York Bar Foundation is accepting applications for the following FELLOWSHIPS. Although an **organization** must apply for a grant to fund the fellowship, law students should contact a qualifying organization to encourage it to submit a grant application and to discuss participating in the fellowship if funding would become available. (For more information come to the Student Affairs Office in 105C)

**Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations: Stanfield and D'Orlando Legal and Art Scholarships---
Otto M. Stanfield Law Scholarship**

Criteria for recipients include an active relationship with Unitarian Universalism, financial need, and enrollment in an accredited institution. The Law Scholarship is available to Unitarian Universalist students entering or attending law school at the graduate level.

Deadline: February 15, 2010

Contact: UU Funding Program, P.O. Box 301149, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

(617) 971-9600

(fax) (617) 971-0029

uufp@aol.com

For information and application: <http://www.uua.org/giving/awardsscholarships/stanfieldand/index.shtml>

2009-2010 Hellenic Times Scholarship Fund

Applicants must be of Greek descent and between the ages of 17 and 25 as of May, 2010. Students receiving a full scholarship from any other source, or a partial scholarship exceeding 50% of their annual tuition, are ineligible.

Award: Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of necessity and merit.

Deadline: February 19, 2010

For more information: <http://www.htsfund.org/guidelines.html>

BPW/NYS Grace LeGendre Endowment Fund, Inc.

An annual Graduate Study Fellowships to women who are residents of New York State and citizens of the United States.

Award: \$1000

Deadline: February 28, 2010

Send all application materials to: Cynthia B. Gillmore, GLG Fellowship Committee, 802 S. Melcher Street, P.O. Box 200, Johnson, NY 12095

Phone: 518-762-8483

For more information: www.gracelegendre.org

5th Annual Sarah Weddington Prize for New Scholarship in Reproductive Rights.

Topic: The theme this year is Reproductive Rights as Human Rights. Authors are encouraged to focus on applying a human rights framework to reproductive justice issues. Possible topics may include but are not limited to the emerging focus on the right to survive pregnancy and childbirth as a human right; the denial of reproductive health care services on the basis of conscience; cruel, unusual and degrading treatment (CIDT) in the context of reproductive health care delivery (e.g., denial of abortion services to women in state custody in the US, shackling of women in labor while in custody in the U.S., and the denial of legal abortion services in Peru in *K.L. v. Peru*); protecting abortion providers as human rights defenders; and ending discrimination in HIV policies in Rwanda and elsewhere.

Award: Winning authors will receive \$750 (1st place), \$500 (2nd place) or \$250 (3rd place), have their submission published on the Law Students for Reproductive Justice and Center for Reproductive Rights websites, and potentially be invited to present their papers at conferences and symposia.

Deadline: March 1, 2010

For more information: <http://www.lsrj.org/awards> and instructions

http://lsrj.org/documents/Writing_Prize_call_for_sub_09.pdf

Nassau Lawyers Association: James N. McLean/Edwin J. Mulhern Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: Must demonstrate financial need and must be a resident of Nassau County, New York.

Deadline: May 15, 2010

Award: The Nassau Lawyers Association of Long Island, Inc. each year awards a \$1,000 a year Scholarship to a student either entering or currently in law school. The Scholarship is for the length of time the recipient attends law school, up to a total of three years.

For information and instructions: <http://www.nassaulawyersassociation.com/html/scholarship.htm>

Application: <http://www.nassaulawyersassociation.com/html/scholappdf.pdf>, also available in room 105C.

American Association for Justice Trial Advocacy Scholarship

This scholarship is open to all 2nd and 3rd year AAJ Law Student Members

Award: A \$2,500 scholarship will be awarded to the applicant who best demonstrates a commitment to AAJ and dedication to its mission through extensive involvement in AAJ student chapter activities; expresses a desire to represent victims; exhibits an interest and proficiency of skills in trial advocacy; shows a financial need for the scholarship.

Deadline: May 31, 2010

For more information: <http://www.justice.org/cps/rde/xchg/justice/hs.xsl/1741.htm>

<http://www.justice.org/cps/rde/xchg/justice/hs.xsl/1742.htm>

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SENT TO: American Association for Justice, AAJ Trial Advocacy Scholarship, Attn: Kay Eckstein, 777 6th Street, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20001
800.424.2725, ext. 302
202.965.3500, ext. 302
kay.eckstein@justice.org

College Board's Scholarship Search

<http://www.collegeboard.com/paying>

CollegeQuest.com Scholarship Search

<http://iiswinprd03.petersons.com/finaid>

FastWeb Scholarship Search

<http://fastweb.com>

Finaid-The SmartStudent(TM) Guide to Financial Aid

<http://www.finaid.org/otheraid>

NYS Financial Aid Administrators Association

<http://www.nysfaaa.org/student/scholars.htm>

Sallie Mae's Scholarship Search

http://www.wiredscholar.com/paying/scholarship_search/pay_scholarship_search.jsp

Scholarship Resources Network Express

<http://www.srnexpress.com>

WRITING COMPETITIONS
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In addition to the writing competitions listed, you should check out the following website:

<http://www.abanet.org/lsd/competitions/writing-contests/home.html#deadline>

Association of Securities and Exchange Commission Alumni (ASECA)

Topic: Any subject in the field of securities law.

Deadline: received no later than **November 13th, 2009**

Award: 1st place – \$5,000; 2nd place – \$3,000, 3rd place – \$2,000

Submit 2 hard copies to (email submissions will not be accepted):

ASECA

P.O. Box 5767

Washington, DC 20016

For information or questions, contact: SECA Executive Director info@secalumni.org or call (202) 462-1211

For more information, guidelines and instructions: <http://www.secalumni.org/content.asp?contentid=4>

Center for Alcohol Policy's Second Annual Essay Contest

Be a Part of the Center for Alcohol Policy's 2nd Annual National Essay Contest. The contest is intended to foster debate, analysis and examination of the effect of state alcohol regulation.

Topic: Theme of this year's contest is: "State Regulation of Alcohol is important because....." Essays can focus on any aspect of state alcohol regulation including legal analysis, law enforcement perspective, tax collection, public health and other relevant topics

Award: The top three winning entries will receive prizes of \$5,000, \$2,500 and \$1,000 respectively.

Deadline for submissions: November 18, 2009.

For entry form: http://www.centerforalcoholpolicy.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/09/2009_Essay_Contest_Entry_Form1.pdf

For more information: <http://www.centerforalcoholpolicy.org/2009/08/18/2009-essay-contest-topic-announced-state-regulation-of-alcohol-is-important-because/> or call (703) 519-3090.

The Intellectual Property Law Section of the New York State Bar Association Annual Writing Competition

Full-time students are encouraged to submit papers to the Eleventh Annual Law Student Writing Competition of The Intellectual Property Law Section of the New York State Bar Association.

Awards: First Prize, \$2,000, Second Prize, \$1,000.

Deadline: Before 5:00 PM EST on December 7, 2009

Entries by hard copy and email to: Naomi Pitts, NYSBA, One Elk Street, Albany, NY or email: npitts@nysba.org

For information: [http://4.bp.blogspot.com/_9XOGF5otGEU/SrpECPTXJFI/AAAAAAAAAG0/HuM_z7tCAWc/s1600-h/Intellectual+Property+writingcomp8-09+\(2\).GIF](http://4.bp.blogspot.com/_9XOGF5otGEU/SrpECPTXJFI/AAAAAAAAAG0/HuM_z7tCAWc/s1600-h/Intellectual+Property+writingcomp8-09+(2).GIF)

Comments or Questions: Co-Chair of the Young Lawyers Committee: Sarah B. Kickham, Ullman Shapiro & Ullman LLP, 299 Broadway Suite 1700, New York, NY 10007, (212) 571-0068, sbkickham@yahoo.com OR Lindsay Martin, McKool Smith, 399 Park Avenue, Suite 3200, New York, NY 10022, (212) 402-9414, lmartin@mckoolsmith.com

Grammy Foundation: The 12th Annual Entertainment Law Initiative Writing Competition

Awards: \$5,000 First Place, \$1,500 Second Place (Four Winners), All Winners Receive: One GRAMMY Awards Show Ticket, Round-Trip Ticket to the GRAMMY Awards, Hotel Accommodations, Ticket to MusiCares Person of the Year Dinner.

Deadline for Paper Submission: January 4, 2010

For information: loren.fishbein@grammy.com

The American College of Legal Medicine's 2010 Student Writing Competition in Legal Medicine

Every year, the American College of Legal Medicine (ACLM) awards \$1,000.00 for the outstanding original paper on Legal Medicine. The Award is called The Letourneau Award and is presented to law students.

Papers may deal with any aspect of Legal Medicine, including medical licensure and regulation of the profession, business aspects of medical practice, liability of physicians, hospitals, managed care organizations, and pharmaceutical manufacturers, public health law, the physician-patient relationship, care of special patients, food and drug law, medical research, forensic science and the history of legal medicine.

Deadline: January 11, 2010 -- only via email to info@aclm.org.

For more information: <http://www.aclm.org/resources/swc/default.aspx> Email: Info@aclm.org

NEW! American College of Legal Medicine announces two writing competitions:

Letourneau Award

Topic: Papers may deal with any aspect of legal medicine.

Eligibility: Open to all currently enrolled law students. No paper that has been previously published in any form will be considered; however, papers written for scholarly classes will be allowed as long as they have not been published. Authors can submit their papers to only one of ACLM's student writing competitions.

Award: \$1,000. All papers will be considered for publication in the *Journal of Legal Medicine* or other medical legal publications.

Deadline: January 11, 2010

For more information: www.aclm.org or email info@aclm.org

The American College of Legal Medicine's Student Writing Competition in Legal Medicine: *The Letourneau Award*

The American College of Legal Medicine (ACLM) presents a Award for an outstanding original paper on Legal Medicine.

Deadline: January 11, 2010

For instructions and information: <http://www.aclm.org/resources/swc/pdfs/swc%202010.pdf>

Bioethics Award:

Topic: Papers may deal with any aspect of bioethics

Eligibility: Open to all currently enrolled law students. No paper that has been previously published in any form will be considered; however, papers written for scholarly classes will be allowed as long as they have not been published.

Award: 1st place: \$1,000; 2nd place \$500; 3rd place \$250. All papers will be considered for publication in the *Journal of Legal Medicine* or other medical legal publications.

Deadline: January 11, 2010

For more information: www.aclm.org

Louis Jackson National Student Writing Competition in Employment and Labor Law

An annual writing competition which is open to all law students who have completed or are currently taking courses in employment or labor law.

Topic: Judges will consider papers on any topic relating to the law governing the workplace, such as employment law, labor law, employee benefits or employment discrimination.

Awards: One top honor award of \$3000 and two \$1000 awards will be presented to the top three entries. Also the top three entries will be published on the Institute for Law and the Workplace website.

Deadline: Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Mail to: Louis Jackson Writing Competition, c/o Institute for Law and the Workplace, Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology, 565 West Adams Street, Chicago, IL 60661-3691

For more information: Questions may be directed to Professor Martin H. Malin by e-mail to mmalin@kentlaw.edu

American Indian Law Review (AILR) of The University of Oklahoma

Annual writing competition for 2009-2010. Competition is open to students at accredited law schools in the United States and Canada who are enrolled as of the competition deadline.

Topic: Any issue concerning American Indian Law.

Awards: First Place-\$1,000 and publication in AILR, Second Place-\$500, Third Place-\$250. All three will also receive *Felix S. Cohen's Handbook of Federal Indian Law*. Other entries may be published in AILR as well.

Deadline: Postmarked by January 31, 2010

Mail to: American Indian Law Writing Competition, *American Indian Law Review*, ATTN: Writing Competition Editor, Andrew M. Coats Hall, 300 Timberdell Road, Norman OK 73019

For Information: Call (405) 325-2840, Email ailr@ou.edu or Visit <http://adams.law.ou.edu/ailr/competition.cfm>

2010 Embryo Law Competition

Under a grant from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Nightlight Christian Adoptions is conducting a law student essay competition to raise awareness and increase interest in embryo donation and adoption.

Students are asked to write a scholarly position paper in response to a problem presented regarding embryo donation/adoption: <http://www.embryolaw.org/problem.asp>

Award: 1st Place will receive \$2,500; 2nd Place will receive \$1,500 and 3rd Place will receive \$1000.

Deadline: March 8, 2010

For more information: www.EmbryoLaw.org

2010 Roscoe Hogan Environmental Essay Contest

Presented by the Public Justice Foundation, the contest is open to any student currently enrolled in an accredited American law school.

"INTENT TO ENTER" must be filled out and submitted by January 29, 2010

Each entry must be submitted through a faculty adviser.

Award: \$5000 Cash Prize

Deadline: March 31, 2010

For more information: www.publicjustice.net

Fifth Annual "Endangered Environmental Laws" Student Writing Competition (2009-2010)

Co-sponsored by the Environmental Law Institute; the American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources; and the National Association of Environmental Law Societies.

Topic: Any topic addressing recent developments in U.S. environmental law that have a significant constitution or "federalism" component.

Eligibility: Students currently enrolled in law school are eligible, including students who will graduate in the spring or summer of 2010. Any relevant article, case comment, note, or essay may be submitted, including writing submitted for academic credit. Jointly authored pieces are eligible only if all authors are students and consent to submit.

Previously published pieces, or pieces that are already slated for publication, are ineligible.

Award: \$2,000 cash prize and an offer of publication in the *Environmental Law Reporter*.

Deadline: April 12, 2010

For more information: <http://www.endangeredlaws.org/writingcomp.htm>

The College Labor and Employment Lawyers Writing Competition for Law Students 2009-2010

The competition is a tool to stimulate interest in this important field of law.

Topic: Any topic addressing any aspect of public or private or employment law.

Eligibility: All currently enrolled undergraduate law students attending an accredited law school in the United States.

Award: 1st Prize - \$1500; 2nd Prize - \$1000; 3rd Prize - \$500

Deadline: By email, no later than May 14, 2010 or by mail, no later than May 1, 2010

For more information: www.laborandemploymentcollege.org

NEW! American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers: 2010 Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition

Topic: Any aspect of Copyright Law

Eligibility: Open to third year students. In the discretion of the Dean, second-year students may also compete. However, second-year students who receive awards may not compete in their third year. Papers must represent individual study and collaboration with others in their preparation is not permitted. Local awards may be given at individual participating law schools. First place local winners will be eligible to participate in the national competition.

Award: Local: First place \$600; second place \$250. National: first place \$3,000; second place \$2,000; third place \$1,000.

Deadline: June 30, 2010

For more information: Call ASCAP (212) 621-6280 or visit www.ASCAP.com

The Southern New England School of Law *Roundtable Symposium Law Journal*

The Southern New England School Roundtable Symposium Law Journal publishes articles and student-written comments in a symposium format.

Eligibility: Written submissions are accepted from any author for consideration as an article, and comment submissions are accepted from current members of Southern New England School of Law as well as from **students at other law schools.**

Topics: Accepting submissions for the 2009 issue on "Trends and Issues in Bankruptcy", and the 2010 issue on "Trends and Issues in Terrorism and the Law".

Please mail your submission to: Articles Dept. S. New Eng. Roundtable Symp. L.J. Southern New England School of Law, 333 Faunce Corner Road North Dartmouth, MA 02747, or email to: Amy Kamon at roundtable@snesl.edu

Information and instructions: <http://www.snesl.edu/maincontent.aspx?p=159&t=56>

American College of Consumer Financial Services Lawyers Writing Competition

ACCFSL Annual Writing Competition Committee of the Washington University in St. Louis School of Law.

Awards: The awards include a cash payment of \$2,000 (articles and reviews), \$2,500 (book chapter or book), and \$1,000 (student work), a Certificate of Recognition from the College, and travel expenses to attend the College's meeting conjunction with the Spring Meeting of the Business Law Section of the American Bar Association.

Topic: Written contributions to the field of consumer financial services law, including, a) the best book or book chapter, b) the best publishable article or substantial book review, c) the best student case note or comment on a topic dealing with consumer financial services law.

Mail to: Eight Copies of each entry should be submitted to:

Michael M. Greenfield, Chair, ACCFSL Writing Competition & George Alexander Madill Professor of Contracts and Commercial Law, School of Law, Washington University in St. Louis, One Brookings Dr., St. Louis, MO 63130

For Information: <http://www.accfsl.org/writing-competition/>

The Burton Awards for Legal Achievement: Legal Writing Awards

The Burton Awards for Legal Achievement Distinguished Writing Award is available to nominated Law School Students. Only deans, directors of legal writing of their designees may nominate an applicant. Students must submit an article along with a completed application to be considered.

Topic: The subject of the article can be devoted to any legal topic and the length is not limited.

Eligibility: The author must have been enrolled in the 2009 calendar year and the winning article must have a publication date of 2008 (even if it actually printed at a later date.)

Deadline: Completed nomination form together with a copy of the article must be submitted online at www.burtonawards.com and received by **January 2, 2010**

For nomination form: <http://www.burtonawards.com/law-student.html>

For information: <http://www.burtonawards.com/applications.html>

Epstein Becker & Green, P.C., Twelfth Annual Health Law Writing Competition

This competition is designed to encourage the preparation of scholarly papers on current topics on interest relating to health law. Entrants are encouraged to take advantage of the fact that health law is a very broad and diverse field, encompassing aspects of almost every area of law.

Topic: Papers may address any traditional area of the law as applied to health care or areas of law unique to health care.

Awards: First Place-\$4,000, Second Place-\$2,000, Third Place-\$500, for the three best papers. Also, entries in the top 20 percent will be considered for publication in the *Annals of Health Law* which is published by Loyola University Chicago School of Law.

Deadline: January 22, 2010

Entry Form: <http://www.ebglaw.com/healthentryform.aspx>

For more information: Amy Lerman in EBG's Washington, DC office at (202) 861-0900 or email at ebgcompetition@ebglaw.com or visit <http://www.ebglaw.com/othercontent.aspx?show=5064>.

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National Center for Nonsmokers' Rights: Nonsmokers' Rights Legal Research and Advocacy Competition

Students are asked to submit a 1000 word summary of your idea on the topic below. Winners will be selected after an oral presentation, and an opportunity to respond to questions. This is a legal research and oral advocacy competition.

Topic: The purpose of this contest is to encourage law students to think about, research, write about and advocate new ideas for using a legal or law related actions designed to be particularly effective in advancing and/or protecting the rights of nonsmokers, primarily by protecting them from exposure to tobacco smoke pollution. Realistic suggestions on the topic are preferred.

Awards: Thirty three cash prizes will be awarded, including \$5,000 for First Place, and \$3,000 for Second Place. Thirty law students will receive \$1,000 travel grants to go to Washington, DC for a World Conference. Many of the entries will be published on the internet.

Deadline: May 1, 2010, but students are encouraged to register early and receive full instructions by email.

For complete information, contest rules, ideas for new proposals and instructions on submitting your entry, email: info2010@nosmokingcontest.org

The Independent Institute: The 2010 Sir John M. Templeton Fellowships Essay Contest

Eligibility: visit <http://www.independent.org/students/essay/guidelines.asp>

Topic: "Everyone wants to live at the expense of the state. They forgot the state wants to live at the expense of everyone." – Frederic Bastiat, Assuming Bastiat is correct, what ideas or reforms could be developed that would make people better aware that government wants to live at their expense?

Awards: First Prize- \$2,500, Second Prize,-\$1,500, Third Prize-\$1,000. The Independent Institute will publish the winning essays on their website and seek to have them published elsewhere in major magazines and journals.

Deadline: May 3, 2010

For more information: Carl P. Close Academic Affairs Director, The Independent Institute, 100 Swan Way, Oakland, CA 94621-1428, or call (510) 632-1366 or visit <http://www.independent.org/students/essay/> or <http://www.independent.org/students/essay/guidelines.asp>