

November 2009
2009-2010 Competition Listing #2

LEGAL WRITING COMPETITIONS, 2009-2010

** Has not appeared in previous listings this academic year. (For further information on any competition from this list, consult the Writing Center.)

Name of Competition	Due Date	Awards	Eligible Topics	Special Notes
1. Securities Law Writing Competition	11/13/09	1st: \$5,000 2nd: \$3,000 3rd: \$2,000	Any subject in the field of securities law.	Sponsored by the Association of Securities and Exchange Commission Alumni
2.** The Freedom and Justice Legal Writing Competition	11/16/09	publication	Would a federal law targeting consumer product advertising violate the First Amendment?	Sponsored by The Washington Legal Foundation; www.wlf.org/ contest
3. Second Annual Essay Contest of the Center for Alcohol Policy	11/18/09	1st: \$5,000 2nd: \$2,500 3rd: \$1,000	"State regulation of alcohol is important because ..."	Sponsored by Center for Alcohol Policy; www.centerforalcoholpolicy.org
4.** Writing Competition of ACCFSL	12/01/09	1st: \$2,500 2nd: \$2,000 3rd: \$1,000	A topic dealing with consumer financial services law	Sponsored by American College of Consumer Financial Services Lawyers; www.accfsl.org
5.** The Intellectual Property law Writing Competition	12/15/09	1st: \$500 2nd: \$250	The varying treatment of patentable subject matters (a scholarly analysis of the topic and not just a global survey)	Sponsored by Altacit Global & <i>The Virginia Journal of Law and Technology</i> ; online submissions only http://lordsfoundation.com/essay.htm
6. Foreclosure.com Scholarship Program (Essay contest)	12/31/09	1st: \$5,000 2nd: \$1,000 3rd: \$1,000 4th: \$1,000 5th: \$1,000	Students are encouraged to offer innovative ideas and solutions to solve the foreclosure crisis in the form of an essay. The best five plans will be sent to Congress and to President Obama.	Preliminary application must be submitted on the sponsor's website: http://www.foreclosure.com/education/scholarship/index.html

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7.** The 12th Annual Entertainment Law Initiative Writing Competition	1/4/2010	1st: \$5,000 2nd: \$1,500 (4 2nd-place awards given)	Authors must research and identify a compelling legal issue confronting the music industry, and propose a solution	Co-Sponsored by the Grammy Foundation and The ABA Forum on the Entertainment and Sports Industries; www.facebook.com/pages/The-Entertainment-Law-Initiative/78505784535
8. The Student Writing Competition in Legal Medicine/The Letourneau Award	1/11/10	\$1,000	An original paper on legal medicine	Sponsored by the American College of Legal Medicine; www.alcm.org
9.** The National Student Writing Competition and Employment and Labor Law	1/19/2010	1st: \$3,000 2nd: \$1,000 3rd: \$1,000	Any topic relating to the law governing the workplace such as employment law, labor law, employee benefits or employment discrimination	Co-Sponsored by Jackson Lewis LLP and the Chicago-Kent College of Law's Institute for Law and the Workplace; www.kentlaw.edu
10.** Roscoe Hogan Environmental Essay Contest	1/29/2010 intent-to-enter form due 3/31/2010 essay deadline	\$5,000	Can Coal be Clean? Litigation Remedies for Coal Contamination from Mining to Combustion to Sequestration	Sponsored by the Public Justice Foundation; www.publicjustice.net
11.** <i>American Indian Law Review</i> Writing Competition	2/1/2010	1st: \$1,000 2nd: \$500 3rd: \$250	Any issue concerning American Indian law.	Sponsored by the American Indian Law Review; www.law.ou.edu/lawrevs/ailr
12. The Embryo Law Essay Competition	3/8/2010	1st: \$2,500 2nd: \$1,500 3rd: \$1,000	Details about topic available at www.EmbroyLaw.org	Sponsored by Knightlight Christian Adoptions/Embryo Adoption Awareness Center

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13. "Endangered Environment Law" Student Writing Competition	4/12/2010	\$2,000	Any topic addressing recent developments or trends in U.S. environmental law that have a significant constitutional or "federalism" component. See Writing Center for more information.	Co-sponsored by The Environmental Law Institute; The American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources; The National Association of Environmental Law Societies
14.** The Writing Competition of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers	5/1/2010 postmark deadline; 5/10/2010 email deadline	1st: \$1,500 2nd: \$1,000 3rd: \$500	Any aspect of domestic public or private labor or employment law. Students are encouraged to present a a) public policy issue, b) practical implications of a leading case or doctrine, c) comment on a statute or the need for a statutory modification, d) comment on a common law doctrine.	Sponsored by the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers
15. 2010 Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition	6/30/2010	local level: 1st: \$600 2nd: \$250 national level: 1st: \$3,000 2nd: \$2,000 3rd: \$1,000	Any aspect of copyright law	Sponsored by ASCAP (The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers); www.ascap.com
16.** 2010 Robert C. Watson Competition	6/30/2010	\$2,000	A subject relating to the protection of intellectual property written or published between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010	Sponsored by the American Intellectual Property law Association; www.aipla.org

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17.** 2010 Tannenwald Writing Competition	7/1/2010	1st: \$5,000 2nd: \$2,500 3rd: \$1,500	Any federal or state tax-related topic	Sponsored by The Theodore Tannenwald, Jr. Foundation for Excellence in Tax Scholarship and the American College of Tax Counsel; www.tannenwald.org