January 13, 2018 Writing Competitions and Scholarships

January:

The College of Workers’ Compensation Lawyers Writing Competition
The College of Workers’ Compensation Lawyers is accepting student submissions on any aspect of worker’s compensation law. Each student is encouraged to present a public policy issue, a critique of a leading case or doctrine, or a comment on a statute or on the need for a statutory modification. The first prize award is $1,500, plus $1000 to winner’s law school scholarship fund; second prize is $1,000; and third prize is $500. The deadline is January 15, 2018. For more information, please visit: http://www.cwclawyers.org/html/writing_contest.html.

The American College of Legal Medicine’s Student Writing Competition
Every year, the American College of Legal Medicine (ACLM) presents an award for the outstanding original paper on legal medicine. 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. The deadline is January 15, 2018. For more information, please visit: http://www.aclm.org/?page=student_writing_comp.

Louis Jackson National Student Writing Competition in Employment and Labor Law
The Louis Jackson National Student Writing Competition is accepting papers on any topic relating to the law governing the workplace, such as employment law, labor law, employee benefits, or employment discrimination. Authors must have completed or be currently taking coursework in employment or labor law. The winning entries will be published in the Institute for Law and the Workplace. In addition, one award of $3,000 and two awards of $1,000 will be presented to the top three entries. The deadline is January 17, 2018. For more information, please visit http://www.kentlaw.iit.edu/institutes-centers/institute-for-law-and-the-workplace/louis-jackson-writing-competition.

The Ladas Memorial Award
The Ladas Memorial Award was established in memory of Stephen P. Ladas, distinguished practitioner and author. Funded by Ladas & Parry LLP, this yearly award is presented in Student and Professional categories for a paper on trademark law or a matter that directly relates to or affects trademarks. The award is $2,500 and complimentary registration to the 2018 Annual Meeting. The deadline is January 19, 2018. For more information, please visit http://www.inta.org/Academics/Pages/LadasMemorialAward.aspx.
University of Oklahoma American Indian Law Review Writing Competition
The American Indian Law Review calls for papers on any issue concerning American Indian law or indigenous peoples. The first-place winner receives $1,000 and publication in the American Indian Law Review. The second-place winner receives $500, and third place receives $250. The deadline is January 31, 2018. For more information, please visit: http://www.law.ou.edu/content/writing-competition.

ABA Antitrust Writing Competition
The ABA Antitrust Writing Competition encourages and rewards student-written articles in the areas of antitrust law, competition policy, and consumer protection law. Students may submit published articles of general interest to the antitrust community, including those on the topics of civil and criminal antitrust law, competition policy, consumer protection, and international competition law. The winner will receive $2,000 and an invitation to the Antitrust Section’s Spring Meeting in Washington, D.C. The deadline is January 31, 2018. For more information, please visit: http://www.americanbar.org/groups/antitrust_law/awards_fellowships/l_student_writing_competition.html.

FEBRUARY:

Trandafir Writing Competition
Each year, Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems, in conjunction with the University of Iowa College of Law International and Comparative Law Program, conducts an annual world affairs student writing competition. The competition is open to law students and to graduate students in all disciplines. The winning essay will be published in Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems. The deadline is February 1, 2018. For more information, please visit http://www.uiowa.edu/~tlcp/trandafir_competition.html.

Human Rights Essay Award
The Human Rights Essay Award is an annual competition sponsored by the Academy and seeks to stimulate the production of scholarly work in international human rights law. Participants have the flexibility to choose any subject related to the assigned topic. The essay has to be a legal article. The Academy will grant two awards, one for the best article in English and one for the best article in Spanish. The Award in each case will consist of: a full scholarship to the Program of Advanced Studies on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law for either the Diploma or Certificate of Attendance options, travel expenses to and from Washington D.C., housing at the university dorms, and a per diem for living expenses. Articles must not exceed 35 pages in length, including footnotes. Each participant must also include a curriculum vitae of no more than three pages in length explaining the experience or interest of the author in human rights issues. The deadline is February 1, 2018. For more information, visit http://www.wcl.american.edu/hracademy/hraward.cfm.

The Richard D. Cudahy Writing Competition on Regulatory and Administrative Law
The Richard D. Cudahy Writing Competition on Regulatory and Administrative Law calls for papers related to regulatory or administrative law. The author of the winning paper will receive a cash prize of $1,500 and will receive special recognition at the ACS National Convention. The deadline is February 4, 2018. For more information, please visit: https://www.acslaw.org/special-projects/richard-d-cudahy-writing-competition.
**Epstein Becker & Green Health Law Writing Competition**

Epstein Becker & Green, P.C., a national firm engaged in the practice of health care and life sciences law, is pleased to announce its Seventeenth Annual Health Law Writing Competition. Papers may address any traditional area of the law as applied to healthcare (e.g., antitrust, tax, or corporate law) or areas of law unique to health care (e.g., fraud and abuse, managed care, Medicare/Medicaid, or clinical trials). The first-prize cash reward is $4,000, second place is $2,000, and third place is $500. **The deadline is February 9, 2018.** For more information, please visit: [http://www.ebglaw.com/health-law-writing-competition/](http://www.ebglaw.com/health-law-writing-competition/).

**Constance Baker Motley National Student Writing Competition**

The American Constitution Society (ACS) and the University of Pennsylvania Law School ACS Chapter host an annual national student writing competition in honor of Constance Baker Motley's legacy. ACS welcomes all student papers furthering and promoting a progressive vision of the Constitution, law, and public policy. Entrants are encouraged to view this topic broadly, and we welcome submissions on a variety of substantive areas. **The deadline is February 11, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://www.acslaw.org/chapters/studentcompetitions/writing](http://www.acslaw.org/chapters/studentcompetitions/writing).

**Unitarian Universalist Association Stanfield Law Scholarship**

Applicants for this scholarship will have to submit a sample of their best art works, demonstrate financial need, and promote Unitarian Universalist values. The selection committee will take into consideration “not only the intellectual attainments and potentialities of the beneficiaries but that they consider whether in character and constructive spiritual philosophy the beneficiaries are most likely to use their legal training and their training in art for the betterment of humankind.” **The deadline is February 15, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://www.uua.org/care/scholarships/stanfield/](http://www.uua.org/care/scholarships/stanfield/).

**MARCH:**

**Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Educational Institute – Charlie Butts Scholarship**

The Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Education Institute (TCDLEI) exists to promote and support the administration of justice in Texas, particularly through the continuing legal education of criminal defense lawyers and staff. This year the institute offers a scholarship award for $5,000 to a 3L law student who has an interest in Criminal Law. **The deadline is March 1, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://www.tcdla.com/TCDLA/Events/Scholarships_Tabs.aspx?Scholarship_Tabs=4#Scholarship_Tabs](http://www.tcdla.com/TCDLA/Events/Scholarships_Tabs.aspx?Scholarship_Tabs=4#Scholarship_Tabs).

**American Bankruptcy Institute Student Writing Competition**

The American Bankruptcy Institute is pleased to invite students to participate in its Eight Annual ABI Bankruptcy Law Student Writing Competition. First, second and third place will be awarded. Papers may cover current issues regarding bankruptcy jurisdiction, bankruptcy litigation, or evidence in bankruptcy cases or proceedings. The paper may address business or consumer cases and may include matters such as bankruptcy sales, plan confirmation, and other topics that involve jurisdiction, litigation, or evidence in the bankruptcy courts. Available awards include $4,000 in prize money. **The deadline is March 1, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://papers.abi.org/](http://papers.abi.org/).
National Italian American Foundation Scholarship
The National Italian American Foundation (NIAF) awards scholarships summer to 60-70 outstanding students in a variety of academic disciplines for use during the following academic year. Scholarships range from $2,500-$12,000. **The deadline is March 1, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships-overview/](http://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships-overview/).

ABA Legal Opportunity Scholarship Fund
This $5,000 scholarship is intended to provide financial assistance & encourage racial and ethnic minority students to apply to law school. Twenty awards will be made to **first-year students** and may be renewable for two additional years, resulting in financial assistance totaling $15,000. Recipients will be selected based on their qualifications for the scholarship and not on the law school they plan to attend. **The deadline is March 2, 2018.** For more information, please visit [https://www.americanbar.org/groups/diversity/diversity_pipeline/projects_initiatives/legal_opportunity_scholarship.html](https://www.americanbar.org/groups/diversity/diversity_pipeline/projects_initiatives/legal_opportunity_scholarship.html).

Affordable Housing and Community Development Law Writing Competition
Papers should address any legal issue regarding affordable housing and/or community development law. Winner receives a prize of $1,000, publication, and a trip to attend the annual conference in Washington, D.C. **The deadline is March 3, 2018.** For details visit: [https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/events/affordable_housing/2017/revised_2018_writing_competition_guidelines.authcheckdam.pdf](https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/events/affordable_housing/2017/revised_2018_writing_competition_guidelines.authcheckdam.pdf).

Hon. William C. Conner Intellectual Property Law Writing Competition
The New York Intellectual Property Law Association calls for submissions to the annual William C. Conner Intellectual Property Law Writing Competition. An entry must be written about any of the traditional subject areas of intellectual property, e.g., patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, unfair trade practices, and antitrust. There is a twenty (20) page limit for all entries. First place will receive $1,500. Second place will receive $1,000. **The deadline is March 5, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://www.nyipla.org/nyipla/ConnerWritingCompetition.asp](http://www.nyipla.org/nyipla/ConnerWritingCompetition.asp).

Ed Mendrzycki Essay Contest for Law Students and Young Lawyers
The Ed Mendrzycki Essay Contest is conducted by the American Bar Association Standing Committee on Lawyers’ Professional Liability and the San Francisco law firm of Long & Levit LLP. The contest involves the ethical concerns arising under the Model Rules of Professional Conduct where a law firm seeks to affiliate itself with litigation funding companies, including undertaking representation of one such company and, in turn, recommending its services to the firm’s clients. The award is $5,000. **The deadline is March 9, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/lawyers_professional_liability/awards.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/lawyers_professional_liability/awards.html).

Sidney B. Williams Jr. Scholarship
Applicants for this scholarship will write an essay of no more than 250 words explaining how the American Intellectual Property Law Association’s Sidney B. Williams Jr. Scholarship/Thurgood Marshall College Fund will help make a difference in meeting their goals of engaging in the full-time practice of Intellectual Property law. **The deadline is March 16, 2018.** For more information, please visit [http://www.aiplef.org/scholars/sidney-b-williams-jr-scholarships/](http://www.aiplef.org/scholars/sidney-b-williams-jr-scholarships/).
American College of Coverage and Extracontractual Counsel (“ACCEC”) Law School Practical Skills Writing Competition on Insurance Law Problem

In order to expand on the ACCEC’s goal of engaging law students in the area of insurance law, hoping that today’s law students will be interested in becoming the insurance lawyers of tomorrow, the ACCEC is pleased to announce this practical skills writing competition. In addition to receiving cash prizes, the top three students will be invited to attend the ACCEC Annual Meeting in Chicago on May 17-18, 2018. This will present a wonderful opportunity for these students to meet and network with some of the top insurance lawyers in the United States. First place is $2,000, second place is $1,500, and third place is $1,000. The deadline is March 16, 2018. For more information, please visit: https://accec.memberclicks.net/assets/LawStudentPracticum/ACCEC_2018LawStudentPracticalSkillsCompetition_FullMaterialsPackage_20171031.pdf.

Prize in International Insolvency Studies

The International Insolvency Institute is pleased to announce its Prize in International Insolvency Studies. The prize is awarded for original legal research, commentary, or analysis on topics of international insolvency, the comparative international analysis of domestic insolvency, and restructuring issues and developments. The deadline is March 31, 2018. For more information, please visit https://www.iiiglobal.org/node/2112.

APRIL:

Buckfire & Buckfire, P.C. Law School Diversity Scholarship

Buckfire & Buckfire, P.C. offers a $2,000 scholarship available to law students who currently are attending an accredited law school within the United States. Applicants must be members of ethnic, racial, or other minorities or demonstrate a commitment to issues of diversity within their communities. The deadline is April 1, 2018. For more information, please visit https://www.buckfirelaw.com/library/scholarships.cfm#law.

ALDF Advancement of Animal Law Scholarships

The Animal Legal Defense Fund (ALDF) Advancement of Animal Law Scholarships are available to second- and third-year law student members of our student chapters and will be awarded based upon demonstrated commitment to ALDF’s mission, “to advance the interests and protect the lives of animals through the legal system.” Applicants should be committed to the advancement of animal law through active involvement with their Student Animal Legal Defense Fund (SALDF) chapter while in law school and anticipated participation in the field after graduation. The deadline is April 1, 2018. For more information, please visit http://aldf.org/advancement-of-animal-law-scholarship/.

State Bar of Texas’ Tax Section Annual Law Student Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship is to facilitate and encourage students to enter the practice of tax law in Texas, and to become active members of the State Bar Tax Section, by assisting these students with their financial needs. Selection criteria of the scholarships include: merit, scholarship performance, financial need, and demonstrated experience and interest in the field of tax law. The Section awards up to three $2,000 scholarships. The deadline is April 6, 2018. For more information, please visit http://www.texastaxsection.org/DrawOnePage.aspx?PageID=245.
Pinkerton Law Review
Mr. Pinkerton and The Pinkerton Law Firm would like to invite you to participate in the Pinkerton Law Review. This endeavor will provide students the opportunity to perfect their writing skills while also encouraging them to choose a matter that is interesting and important to them to write about. There are several $2,500 top writer awards and one $10,000 Writer of the Year award. There are also monthly subject-matter based writing contests/challenges with winners receiving $100 to $500 per contest/challenge. Finally, all writers will be highly considered for a paid clerkship at the The Pinkerton Law Firm, PLLC. **There is no deadline listed.** For more information or for an application, send a current résumé to sferguson@chadpinkerton.com.

Tingey Injury Law Firm Scholarship
Tingey Injury Law Firm has been fighting to make positive changes in the Las Vegas legal system for over forty years. In an effort to support the growth and education of the local legal community Tingey is proud to announce the introduction of our High Roller Scholarship fund. This scholarship will be offered to a student currently enrolled in an accredited law school program in the U.S. who has exemplified creating positive change within the local community through extended education, extracurricular activities, and community outreach programs. It is a $1,500 scholarship. **There is no deadline listed.** For more information, please visit https://www.tingeylawfirm.com/scholarship/.