



NATIONAL CRIME VICTIM LAW INSTITUTE

5th Annual Law Student Victims' Rights Writing Competition

Students are invited to submit a completed paper (or abstract) addressing victims' rights. Selected papers are eligible for presentation at the Crime Victim Law Conference in Portland, Oregon, May 28-29, 2015

RECOGNITION

- Up to 3 papers from across the country will be selected.
- The top paper will receive a \$200 prize; second and third place papers will receive \$100 prize.
- Authors of selected papers will be invited to present at the Crime Victim Law Conference in Portland, Oregon May 28-29, 2015.
- Conference tuition will be covered for those selected.
- Selected papers may also be included in one of NCVLI's nationally distributed publications.

DEADLINE

Monday, March 6, 2015 5:00 p.m. (pacific) in electronic format to ncvliconference@lclark.edu

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The 2015 Crime Victim Law Conference in Portland, Oregon will be the 14th such conference. It is ***the only*** national conference focusing on victim law. The Conference brings together the leading academics and practitioners in the field of victim law. For more information visit: www.ncvli.org.

GUIDELINES

- Submissions must be original papers that analyze the legal rights of crime victims.
- Preference given to papers focusing on rights enforcement in the context of criminal justice systems because this is an area of victim law that receives the least attention.
- Possible topics:
 - Recent Supreme Court decisions
 - Unique hurdles to victims' rights for particular populations, e.g.: victims of sexual assault, stalking, dating or domestic violence; child-victims; immigrant victims; trafficking victims
 - Post-victimization trauma and tools for appropriate legal advocacy
 - Victim privacy and confidentiality
 - Fraud and identity theft
 - Intersection of environmental law and victims' rights
 - Intersection of disability law and victims' rights
 - Intersection of Title IX and victims' rights

- Accommodations for victims to facilitate participation (e.g., support persons, alternative means of testifying, courtroom design).
- Restitution
- The intersection of privacy and media access
- Submissions should be no longer than 3500 words (including footnotes), double-spaced with one-inch margins, and the font must be Times New Roman, Submission may be an excerpt of a larger paper.
- Submissions may not have been previously published or accepted for publication unless accompanied by written authorization for re-print.
- Authors/presenters must be enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school at the date of their submission or have graduated from such a school within the last 18 months.
- The transmittal email must include the following:
 - Author Name.
 - Law School.
 - Date of (Anticipated) Graduation from Law School.
 - Mailing Address.
 - Email Address.
 - Phone Number.
 - Title of abstract/article.
 - Author Biography: (150 word maximum). If selected, this bio may be used in Conference materials. If used, NCVLI may make non-substantive edits to the bio for formatting and marketing purposes without prior consent.
- Submissions must be emailed to ncvliconference@lclark.edu by February 16, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. PST.
- Costs associated with traveling to and from the Conference will not be covered.

Questions about the application process should be directed to NCVLI at ncvliconference@lclark.edu or 503-768-6819.



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