

2018 JAMES BOSKEY DISPUTE RESOLUTION ESSAY COMPETITION

PURPOSE The purpose of the competition is to create greater interest in the field of dispute resolution among law students of the nation, particularly those who are members of the Law Student Division of the American Bar.

COMPETITION PRIZE One prize of \$1,000 dollars will be awarded for the best entry as judged by the Boskey Essay Committee, comprised of representatives from the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution. In addition, the winning essay will be considered for possible publication in Dispute Resolution Magazine. Winner will be required to submit a completed W-9 prior to receiving the award. Winner is responsible for all taxes associated with the award.

ELIGIBILITY The competition is open to all full and part-time J.D. law students at an ABA-accredited law school who are legal permanent residents or citizens of the U.S. Officers, directors and employees of the American Bar Association and their immediate household and family members are ineligible to enter the competition. Previously published essays are not eligible. If a student's essay has been accepted for publication, the student must inform the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution at the time of initial submission to the competition. If the student's essay is accepted for publication after submission to the essay competition but before a decision is reached by the Essay Committee, the student must inform the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution of this acceptance immediately. By entering, participants agree that the ABA shall have the right of first publication of the winning essay. Only one entry per participant. Winner will be required to sign a standard publication agreement if winning entry is selected for publication.

OTHER By entering, participants agree that the decision of the judges is final. ABA is not responsible for any error, computer malfunction, or failed transmission.

AUTHORSHIP Each entry shall be the original work of a single individual. The ideas and work reflected by each entry must be the author's own. The author must perform all of the key tasks of identifying the topic, researching it, analyzing it, formulating positions and arguments, and writing and revising the paper. The author may inform another of the progress made in performing these tasks and accept a reasonable amount of responsive advice from academicians or practitioners in the field, but the student must avoid undue collaboration. For example, the author may obtain a professor's opinion that a proposed topic is a good choice, or that a detailed outline should be reorganized, or that a first draft unwisely omits to cover a subtopic or to raise and respond to criticisms of the author's premise. The author must limit the amount of such advice sought or received so that the final entry truly reflects the author's own ideas and work and not that of another.

SUBJECT MATTER AND LENGTH The essay may address any aspect of dispute resolution practice, theory or research that the contestant chooses. Essays must be limited to 15-30

typewritten pages, including footnotes or endnotes. The text of the essay must be double-spaced, with 12-point font and 1-inch margins.

JUDGING The format of this competition has been selected to stimulate creativity of thought and research. Entries will be judged based on the following criteria: clarity of the theme or thesis presented, significance of the topic to the field of conflict resolution, originality and creativity of topic treatment, quality of analysis, quality of research and authority provided, and technical quality of writing, including organization, grammar, syntax and form. The entries will be judged anonymously by members of the Boskey Essay Committee, consisting of representatives from the ABA. The winning selection(s) will be made by the Essay Committee and approved by the Chair of the ABA Section. The ABA Section staff will notify the winner(s) of their selection by email no later than August 17, 2018. If the winner does not respond within 10 business days of notification, or notification is returned as undeliverable, the winner forfeits all rights to participate or receive the prize, and an alternate winner may be selected. The ABA Section reserves the right not to award any prize if it is determined that no entries are of sufficient quality to merit selection.

ENTRY DATE AND DEADLINE Entries for the competition must be received by Friday, June 15, 2018, by 11:59 PM (Central Time).

ENTRY PROCEDURE The entry must be e-mailed as an attached file, in PDF format, to Linda Seely (linda.seely@americanbar.org) at the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution. Please note that the identifying information listed below (such as student name, law school name, etc.) should NOT be written or located anywhere on the submitted paper itself (e.g., not in a cover sheet, in the text, footnotes, headers, or anywhere else). This identifying information should be included ONLY in the body of the e-mail written when submitting the PDF file of the paper to Linda Seely. The e-mail should have the subject header "Boskey Dispute Resolution Essay Competition 2018" and the body of the e-mail should include the following information:

- (1) Student's Name
- (2) Law School
- (3) Expected Graduation date
- (4) Faculty Advisor(s)
- (5) Permanent Street Address
- (6) Email Address
- (7) Phone number
- (8) The body of the e-mail should contain the following statement:
"I understand that the selection of the winning entry is the sole responsibility of the Section of Dispute Resolution of the American Bar Association, and acknowledge that I have been provided with a copy of the competition procedures to which I agree. In the event I am selected as the winner, the American Bar Association shall have the

right of first publication in print and electronic formats. I may be invited to publish with Dispute Resolution Magazine.”

PRIVACY POLICY/DATA COLLECTION Information provided by entrants in connection with this sweepstakes is subject to Sponsor’s privacy policy, available at <http://www.americanbar.org/utility/privacy.html>

SPONSOR American Bar Association, Section of Dispute Resolution, 321 N. Clark St., Chicago, IL 60654

LAWS AND REGULATIONS This contest is governed by U.S. law and all relevant federal, state, and local laws and regulations apply. By entering, all participants agree that the competition shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois, that the courts of Illinois shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and that Cook County, Illinois shall be the venue for any dispute or litigation relating to or arising from the competition. **Void where prohibited by law.**

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION By participating, each entrant agrees to these rules and the decisions of the Sponsor, and releases and discharges the ABA and its officers, directors, members, employees, independent contractors, agents, representatives, successors and assigns (collectively “Sponsor”) from any and all liability whatsoever in connection with this promotion. Except where prohibited, acceptance of a prize constitutes a release by any winner of the Sponsor of any and all Claims in connection with the administration of this promotion and the use, misuse or possession of any prize. All entries become the property of Sponsor and will not be acknowledged or returned. Sponsor is not responsible for errors or for lost, late, or misdirected mail or email, or telecommunication or hardware or software failures, including by reason of any bug or computer virus or other failure. Sponsor may cancel, modify or terminate the promotion if it is not capable of completion as planned, including by reason of infection by computer virus, tampering, unauthorized intervention, force majeure or technical difficulties of any kind.