presenting the tenth annual

religious liberty student writing competition

deadline: july 1, 2019

purpose

to promote legal and academic studies in the field of religious liberty by law students and students pursuing related graduate studies. students who have graduated from law school but who are not yet practicing law due to clerkships or other similar pursuits are also invited to submit papers.

form

scholarly paper relating to the topic of domestic or international religious liberty, broadly or narrowly construed, consisting of 8,000-13,000 words, including footnotes. eligible papers must be typed, thoroughly cited and presented in a format suitable for publication, with no additional editing required. papers must conform to bluebook requirements and may include footnotes. papers prepared for academic coursework are permitted.

submission

all papers must be submitted on or before july 1, 2019. papers should be submitted by e-mail to jrclsdc@gmail.com in pdf and/or docx formats. the cover email should note the word count of the paper being submitted. a current resume should also be included. you will receive e-mail confirmation of your submission. questions regarding submission may be directed to jrclsdc@gmail.com.

awards

top entries will receive the following awards:

- first place | $4000 cash award
- second place | $3000 cash award
- third place | $2000 cash award
- honorable mention | four $1000 cash awards

selection

all papers will be reviewed for their conformity to the above requirements and for their substantive treatment of the topic. awards will be presented at the religious liberty award dinner in washington, dc on thursday, october 10, 2019.

in submitting papers to the competition, the author consents to publication of the article in electronic and possibly other forms under the auspices of the international center for law and religion studies. the center will cooperate to facilitate publication of the papers in other settings as needed or requested by the author.

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