

# THE DUKEMINIER AWARDS

*Best Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law Review Articles*

## 2017 Student Writing Competition

**\$1000 Prize**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 15, 2017

The *Dukeminier Awards* Student Writing Competition annually recognizes the best law review note written by a student in the field of sexual orientation and gender identity law. The First Place award is \$1,000 and will be recognized as part of the *Dukeminier Awards: Best Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law Review Articles of 2017*. Previous winners can be viewed at [williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/dukeminier-awards-journal](http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/dukeminier-awards-journal). This writing competition is made possible by the Williams Institute at the UCLA School of Law.

### ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to students enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school during the 2017-2018 academic year. Students of all backgrounds and identities are encouraged to apply. Entry topics should focus on a cutting-edge legal issue affecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, and/or transgender communities. Entries should not be previously published or scheduled for publication. In addition, students who submit notes promise **exclusive** submission to the *Dukeminier* Student Writing Competition until January 15, 2018. This means that the submission should not be in consideration at other journals before this date.

Prior topics include legal issues involving the intersection of sexual orientation and/or gender identity with the following themes: parenting, racial and ethnic identities, employment, youth, transgender issues, intersex issues, bisexual erasure, marriage, social movements, sports, international comparative law, administrative law, criminal law, constitutional law, and evidence law.

### REQUIREMENTS

Entries should follow standard Note format, including Bluebook (20th edition) citation form. All entries must be submitted in English. Each entry should be no longer than 40 single-sided pages with one-inch margins and 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced. The page limit includes footnotes. Entries containing endnotes or including appendices or supplemental material will not be considered.

### HOW TO ENTER

Entrants may submit their entry by email. All entries must be received on or before December 15, 2017. Entrants should not include their name or the name of their school on the competition paper itself. Instead, participants should submit a cover page indicating their name, school, address, email address and phone number. Entries by email should be in Microsoft Word format and sent to [josol@lawnet.ucla.edu](mailto:josol@lawnet.ucla.edu) with the subject line "Writing Competition Submission." For any questions, email [josol@lawnet.ucla.edu](mailto:josol@lawnet.ucla.edu).



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