

PRODUCT LIABILITY PUBLICATION CONTEST RULES

Sponsored by the Product Liability Section of the Oregon State Bar

1. Law Schools: University of Oregon Law School; Willamette University College of Law; Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College.
2. Eligible Students: All students.
3. Subject Matter: Products Liability Law. In addressing this broad topic, the author should write an article addressing a particular issue or area of product liability law, including its application to current Oregon law. The Product Liability Executive Committee (the "Committee") is not seeking articles simply describing or summarizing general product liability law. Rather, the author should write about the particular chosen issue with reference to the current law, social policy, and other considerations the author believes are relevant.
4. Determination of the Award: The prize will be awarded to the eligible student who, in the sole judgment of the Committee, prepares the best paper. The Committee may, in its discretion, withhold the award entirely, if, in its opinion no worthy paper is submitted.
5. Amount of Award: The first place winner of the Contest will receive a cash prize of \$2,000. The winning paper will be published in the Product Liability Section Newsletter, subject to space limitations. There is the potential for publication of other papers.
6. Requirements as to the Length and Form of Manuscript: Papers must strictly comply with the following requirements; failure to do so may disqualify a paper from receiving any award:
 - (a) Manuscript must be typewritten (double-spaced) in 14 point font on 8-1/2" x 11" paper, 1" margins all around. All quotations exceeding four lines must be indented and single-spaced.
 - (b) Table of Contents must be included.
 - (c) Citations must be in approved law review form.
 - (d) Recommended length for manuscript is 3,750 words, including footnotes and endnotes, and excluding the Table of Contents. Longer papers may be submitted, but the author may be required to edit for length for publication in the Product Liability Section Newsletter.
 - (e) One hard copy of manuscript must be submitted. In addition, an electronic/digital version of the manuscript must be submitted (Microsoft Word format preferred). The latter can be submitted either on a disk accompanying the hard copy or as an email attachment.
 - (f) The hard copy of the manuscript should include a cover page with the title of the paper, the author's name, address, and telephone number; the disk should bear a label with the same information.

7. Submission of Papers and Publication:

- (a) All entry materials should be submitted to:
OSB Product Liability Executive Committee
c/o Scott C. Lucas
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- (b) A paper that has been previously published in the same or substantially similar form is not eligible for the Contest.
- (c) Subsequent to entry in the Contest, papers may be published in scholarly journals, provided their entry in the Contest is duly noted.
- (d) Each student-author shall retain the copyright to his or her paper.
- (e) Each student-author shall, by entry in the Contest, agree to comply with these Rules and grant to the Committee a nonexclusive license to publish his or her paper in any form (including by electronic means).
- (f) An original signed statement from the student-author shall be affixed to the inside back cover of the hard copy of his or her paper, as follows:

I, [student-author's name], certify that I have read the rules governing the Contest and agree to comply in all respects with those Rules.

[Signature of student-author]

- 8. Individual Study: Papers must represent individual study and collaboration with others in their preparation is not permitted.
- 9. Closing Date: To be eligible for the prize(s), a paper must be received by the Committee on or before June 15, 2010.
- 10. Questions/Contact Information:

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