Manuscript Preparation for Accepted Authors

Below are guidelines for preparing final manuscripts for publication in the New Mexico Law Review. Please provide a mailing address, telephone, and Email address. We ask you update this information as needed.

Abstract

Include an abstract of approximately 100 words in a separate file. Abstracts of published articles are placed on the Law Review website.

Manuscript Format

- Articles should be submitted as electronic MS Word format by email.
- Page Length, minimum 30 pages; maximum 75 pages, formatted to the specifications below.
- Standard Font, Times New Roman, 12 point.
- Text typewritten, double-spaced with footnotes at bottom of page. No endnotes please. Type manuscript flush left, not justified. No auto-hyphenation.
- Margins one-inch all around with pagination at bottom of each page.
- Number the pages and footnotes consecutively.
- Block quotations of 50 words or more should be single-spaced, indented 1" from both margins, with no quote marks around the text, footnote immediately following.
- Footnotes must conform to the New Mexico Law Review's official citation format: *The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation, 20th Edition*. Each footnote must be complete. Footnotes should be double-spaced, using 12 point Times New Roman font, and not justified.
- Title and author name(s) must appear on the first page of text. A brief author's biographical note (1-3 sentences) should be included as the first footnote.
- Tab set at 0.5-inch to indent the beginning of each paragraph and after period of letter/number in headings.
- Do a thorough spelling and grammar check before submission.
- All footnotes be properly linked to text using Word's footnote preparation function. To ensure automatic updating (as footnotes are often moved/added/deleted in the editing process), we ask that all cross-references (supra and infra ) within the notes be linked as well.
Tables and Figures

Place each table or figure on a separate page from text, with an exact placement notation in text. Maximum size: 5” x 7.75” with all headings and notes within those dimensions. All items must be camera-ready or an original print for publication.

Standard References

- Refer to The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (20th Edition), available from the Harvard Law Review Association, for proper legal citations and style questions. All footnote citations for each article in the NMLR must conform to The Bluebook.
- Refer to The Redbook for grammar and style questions.
- Use Webster’s Ninth or Tenth New Collegiate Dictionary or Webster’s Third New International Dictionary (unabridged) to check spellings, hyphenations, and usage questions.

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