National Native American Law Students Association

18th Annual Writing Competition

The NNALSA Annual Writing Competition recognizes excellence in legal research and writing related to Indian law. The writing competition increases awareness of issues affecting Indigenous people throughout Indian Country and around the world. This year’s writing competition is hosted by the NALSA Chapter of University of New Mexico School of Law.

Topic
“Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women”
Across the nation, the rates of missing and murdered indigenous women are disparaging and have drawn significant concern. Tribal, federal and state governments; communities; and organizations are uncovering new strategies and legal mechanisms to address this issue. The topic of the 18th Annual Writing Competition, “Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women,” requests competitors to provide legal research and writing surrounding this issue.

Submission Deadline
Competitors must submit their writing no later than 11:59 PM EST on March 1, 2019 by email to Joseph Byrd at byrdjo@law.unm.edu. Submissions must include completed Competitor Form.

Awards
The top three submissions will receive a cash scholarship. The winning submission will also have the writing published in the official law journal that is selected by the host committee.

Competition Information
Submissions must be at least twenty-five (25) double spaced pages and no longer than fifty (50) double spaced pages. Submissions must not contain the author’s name or law school affiliation. Each submission will be scored by a panel of judges. Please review all writing competition rules available at http://www.nationalnalsa.org/writing-competition.

Contact
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