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MARY MOERS WENIG 2009 STUDENT WRITING COMPETITION

Trusts and Estates Writing Competition for Law Students

CASH AWARDS FOR WINNING PAPERS

First Prize	\$5,000
Second Prize	\$3,000
Third Prize	\$1,000
Honorable Mention Prize	*

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HONORABLE MENTION PRIZE.

TOPICS

A PAPER SUBMITTED THAT COMPLIES WITH THE RULES WILL BE CONSIDERED
IF IT MEETS THE FOLLOWING TOPICAL CRITERIA:

STUDENT WRITTEN SCHOLARLY WORKS THAT ADDRESS
ONE OR MORE LEGAL ISSUES IN THE AREA OF TRUSTS
AND ESTATES AND RELATED TAXATION.

DEADLINE

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS JUNE 1, 2009.

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Selected list of topics in the trusts and estates and related taxation fields

Trusts and Estates Topics

Ain't Mediation Grand?
Audio and Video Wills: Bringing Estate Planning Out of the Dark Ages and Into the Twenty-First Century
Copyright Issues in Estate Planning
Crossroads of Medicaid Planning and the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act
Donor Advised Funds in a Post-Pension Protection Act World
Durable Financial Powers of Attorney
Elder Law Issues for Estate Planners
Estate Planning for Pets
Estate Planning for Positive Incentives
How, When, and Why to the Transmutation of Separate Property
Legal and Ethical Considerations of Medicaid Planning
Migrating Couples and Community Property
Premarital Agreements
Role of Physician Assisted Suicide in Advance Directives
Socially Responsible Investing and the Trustee's Fiduciary Duty
Special Needs Trusts
Tortious Interference in Estate Planning
Trustee Delegations and the Prudent Investor Act
Unanticipated Disability: Trust Modification When Disability Strikes
When Divorce and Death Collide: Why Automatic Revocation Statutes Do Not Go Far Enough

Taxation Topics

Automatic IRA's ARE They Automatically Good?
Buy-sell Agreements in Family-Owned Companies
Conservation Easements Before and After the Pension Protection Act of 2006
Death of the State Death Tax Credit
Estate Planning for Same-Sex Couples
Federal Estate Tax Policy Considerations
Future of Formula Clauses
Limitations and Options When Planning for the Estates of Non-Citizen Residents
Patenting Tax Advice
Promissory Note Sales to IDGT
Replacing the Current Federal Transfer Tax System with an Income-Inclusive Tax
Special Valuation Rule for Farm Estates
Use of §529 Plans in Estate Planning