

**Second Amendment Legal Studies Association
5153 W. Washington St.
Springfield, IL 62707**

**S.A.L.S.A.'s ANNUAL LAW SCHOOL
SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION
APPLICATION**

Purpose:

The purpose of SALSA's annual scholarship competition is to advance the study of the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution to law schools (where it has been largely ignored in the past). The lack of academic study and discussion on the subject has led to a general lack of understanding by the legal community regarding the Amendment.

Through this program, SALSA hopes to revitalize the study of Second Amendment law by the future lawyers and judges of America.

Personal Information:

Name _____
School Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Permanent Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Driver's License # and State _____
Date of birth (MM/DD/YY) ___/___/___

Which accredited Law School do you attend? _____ 1L 2L 3L
Circle year Overall Con Law I&II
GPA GPA

Which Competition are you submitting for? (check one) Be sure to read and follow the rules and regulations.

ESSAY

Attach to this form 5 copies of an essay (500-1500 words) with the following title:

“The Importance of the 2nd Amendment Right to Keep and Bear Arms in Modern Society”

Scholarly Writing

Submit with this form 2 copies and a floppy disk containing your unpublished paper/article in MSWord 95 or Wordperfect 7.0 (or later). Entries should be 25-40 pages long and can be on any topic related to the constitutional guarantee of the individual right to keep and bear arms. Submissions may include papers written for classes with normal input from professors.

Deadlines form submission for either competition is: **January 20, 2000**

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Rules and Regulations:

1. Competitions are open to all students currently enrolled in an accredited law school at least half time. Student must possess at least an overall "C" average (2.0/4.0 or 2.5/5.0) in their law studies OR an "A" average for Constitutional Law I and Constitutional Law II at time of entry (if school has only one Con Law class, then proof must be submitted at time of entry. Photocopy from law school course catalog will be considered sufficient evidence). If student has not taken a Constitutional Law class, or only Con Law I, at time of submission, they must have an overall "C" average in law school to apply.
2. Submission of required copies, completed entry form, floppy disk (if required) and current transcript (showing student is in good standing and meets the GPA requirement) constitutes a valid entry.
3. All papers shall be the original, unpublished work of an individual student, but may have been prepared as a course assignment. Normal guidance of law school faculty is permitted.
4. Entries are to be unpublished. Entry grants S.A.L.S.A. the rights of first publication of the paper and is agreement to hold S.A.L.S.A. harmless from, and to indemnify them for, any and all damages and costs relating to copyright infringement or plagiarism.
5. Entries become the property of the Second Amendment Legal Studies Association and may be published by them. Papers will not be returned.
6. Extensive footnotes or endnotes are discouraged and is to be included in the length of the work. Any citations, footnotes or endnotes should be in accordance with the current edition of A Uniform System of Citation.
7. All entries should be typed using a computer or word processor (essays entrants may use a typewriter) in English, double-spaced, on 8 1/2 by 11 inch white paper. Essay entries are to be 500 to 1500 words. Scholarly Works entries are to be 25-40 pages.
8. Essay entries should be directly related to the proposed title given in the entry form. Scholarly Works entries should be related to right of the people to keep and bear arms as it relates to the individual liberty guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.
9. Both Essays and Scholarly Works will be judged based on:
 1. Originality,
 2. Creativity,
 3. Analysis and Reasoning,
 4. Quality and use of research, and
 5. Compliance with these rules.
10. Entries for both competitions must be postmarked no later than January 20, 2000 and sent to:

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11. Prizes awarded are as follows:

Essay Competition	Scholarly Works Competition
1st Prize: \$1,000	1st Prize: \$2,000
2nd Prize: \$500	2nd Prize: \$1,500
3rd Prize: \$250	3rd Prize: \$1,000
	4th Prize: \$750
	Honorable Mention: \$500