2013 Hogan/Smoger Access to Justice Essay Contest

INTENT-TO-ENTER FORM

This is to certify that____________________________________________________________

(Name of student and law school)

plans to submit his/her essay for national judging in the 2013 Hogan/Smoger Access to Justice
Essay Contest sponsored by the Public Justice Foundation.

Faculty Sponsor Information (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT):

_______________________________________   _________ ____________________________
Name of faculty sponsor                                          Title

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Faculty sponsor signature                                       Date

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Faculty sponsor's law school address                City, State, Zip

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Area/Telephone             Fax

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E-mail

Student Information (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT):

_______________________________________   _________ ____________________________
Student address                   City, State, Zip

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Area/Telephone             E-mail

INTENT-TO-ENTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE:  January 31, 2013

ESSAY SUBMISSION DEADLINE:  March 31, 2013

COMPLETE & RETURN TO:  Hogan/Smoger Access to Justice Essay Contest
Public Justice Foundation
Attention: Cassandra Goings
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 200
Washington, D.C. 20006
Fax: 202-232-7203
E-mail: cgoings@publicjustice.net

If you have any questions, contact Cassandra Goings at 202-797-8600 or cgoings@publicjustice.net. Please indicate “Access to Justice Essay Contest” in the subject line if sending via e-mail.
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Contest Rules and Criteria

Is Democracy for Sale?

Have Citizens United’s Holdings Run Amok?
Legal Challenges Left to Super Pacs?
Can Funding Disclosure Be Required?

Prize: $5,000 Cash Prize

Free 2013 Public Justice Foundation Membership

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Enrollment Information:

Any student currently enrolled in an accredited American law school may enroll in the contest. Each entry must be submitted through a faculty adviser. All entrants must fill out and submit the "intent-to-enter" form by January 31, 2013. To download the intent-to-enter form, visit our website www.publicjustice.net.

The intent-to-enter form must have the entrant’s current contact information, in particular a phone number and e-mail address, as the communications between the Public Justice Foundation and the applicant will be conducted primarily by phone and e-mail.

Intent-to-enter forms can be submitted via mail, fax, or e-mail to:

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Rule 1 - DEADLINE

Essays must be received by the Public Justice Foundation for national judging no later than March 31, 2013.

Rule 2 - ELIGIBILITY OF ESSAY

If the essay is prepared for academic credit, it is eligible only if submitted for credit during the 2012-2013 academic year. If the essay was neither prepared nor submitted for academic credit, it is eligible only if prepared for this contest during the 2012-2013 academic year. If the essay was prepared as part of paid legal work outside of law school, it is not eligible for this contest.

Rule 3 - ABSTRACT

Students must also submit an abstract (limited to 100 words) describing the paper. Please include name, address, law school and phone number on the abstract. The author’s name and law school must NOT appear anywhere in the essay other than on the cover page and abstract.

Rule 4 - SUBMISSION

Applicants MUST submit BOTH HARD COPY AND ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE ESSAY AND THE ABSTRACT. A hard copy (typed) and a computer disc or e-mail containing the essay and the abstract in Microsoft Word or WordPerfect format should be mailed to the Public Justice Foundation at the aforementioned address. The pages of the hard copy must be firmly fastened together with a cover page which must contain the following information:

- Title of Essay (The title of the essay must appear at the top of the first page of the essay)
- Author’s Name
- Author’s year in law school and expected graduation date
- Law school name and address
- Date submitted for academic credit, if so submitted
- Author’s permanent and school addresses and phone numbers (IMPORTANT: indicate effective dates for all addresses)
- Sponsoring faculty member name and phone number

Rule 5 - LENGTH

Essays must not exceed 50 pages of 8½ by 11-inch paper, double-spaced, excluding footnotes.

Rule 6 - AUTHORSHIP

Essays must have only one author. Joint essays will not be accepted.
Rule 7 - PUBLICATION RIGHTS

Essays will not be returned to the authors, and the judges' comments and evaluations will not be provided to the applicants. The Public Justice Foundation reserves the non-exclusive right to publish in hard-copy all or part of the essay or abstract at its discretion.

Rule 8 - COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE PUBLIC JUSTICE FOUNDATION AND THE APPLICANTS

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