

# The Center for Alcohol Policy Essay Contest 2010

## **Description**

The Center for Alcohol Policy is sponsoring a writing contest for all interested writers who are over the age of 18 as of December 2010. The subject of the contest is:

"Describe how state-based regulation of alcoholic beverages promotes public health and safety."

#### **Award**

Cash Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners in the amount of \$5,000, \$2,500 and \$1,250 respectively. Award will be provided when essay contest winners are announced.

The winning essays will be posted indefinitely to the Center for Alcohol Policy and the Essay Contest Web sites and attempts to further highlight these winning entries will be undertaken.

#### **Deadline**

Deadline for submissions is **November 22, 2010.** Essay submissions and the required Essay Contest Entry Form must be received by November 22, 2010, 11:59 p.m. EST. Papers postmarked/e-mailed after this date will not be considered. Papers may be e-mailed to <a href="mailed-essay@centerforalcoholpolicy.org">essay@centerforalcoholpolicy.org</a>.

Papers may also be sent as hard copy to:

Center for Alcohol Policy Attn: Essay Contest 1101 King St, Suite 600-A Alexandria, VA 22314

Winners will be announced in 2011.

## **Eligibility**

The contest is open to all over the age of 18. Students, academics, practicing attorneys, policy makers and members of the general public are encouraged to submit essays. No relatives of individuals working for the Center for Alcohol Policy, the National Beer Wholesalers Association, contest judges or its leadership are eligible to submit entries for this contest.

Any interested person working for a government entity must certify their ability and comply with appropriate ethics laws to enter and eligibility to win this contest prior to submitting an essay.

#### **Format and Content**

For this essay contest, a wide range of essay formats are eligible and encouraged. These can be formal law review article submissions to less structured, nonacademic essays. Any form of citations is acceptable as long as one form is consistent throughout the essay. The essay should be submitted double spaced with at least 12-point font in Times New Roman format and should not exceed twenty-five (25) pages in length, exclusive of endnotes. Submissions that have been published or accepted for publication may be considered only if author has secured the consent of other journal for the Center for Alcohol Policy to post the winning publication on its website with an appropriate note about the other publication. **All entries become the property of the Center for Alcohol Policy.** 

## **Judging Process**

All submissions will go through an initial screening process. All eligible submissions will be reviewed by three screening judges. Finalists from this process will then be given to a panel of judges who will judge these essays on their analysis of the question, the depth of this analysis, the readiness of the essay for publication, the quality of their writing, the originality of the topic and the analysis used, the thoroughness of the research and its overall ability to creatively and effectively highlight why state-based alcohol regulation promotes public health and safety.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact us at (703) 519-3090.