

# EIGHTH ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ESSAY CONTEST

Sponsored by the Environmental Law  
Section of the Michigan State Bar

## The Contest:

The following prizes will be awarded: \$2,000 for first place, \$1,000 for second place, and \$500 for third place. All essays judged to be of publishable quality will be published in the *Michigan Environmental Law Journal*. Prize winners will be announced no later than September 30, 2009.

## Topic:

Any environmental law topic of current interest to Michigan practitioners.

## Eligibility:

The contest is open to all students enrolled in any U.S. or Canadian law school. Essays must be original; they may have been submitted for course credit or for law reviews, but not as part of paid employment.

## Length/Format:

Minimum length is 8 pages, maximum length is 20 pages, typed and double-spaced, including footnotes placed at the end. Entries must follow the Michigan Uniform System of Citation (see <http://courtofappeals.mijud.net/rules/documents/9MichiganUniformSystemofCitation.pdf>). Entries must be typed and submitted on letter size (8 1/2" x 11") plain, white bond paper, along with a disk or e-mail version in RTF (rich text format).

## Judging:

Criteria for judging entries will include originality, practicality, quality of research, clarity of style and organization. Entries will be judged by the editors of the *Michigan Environmental Law Journal*, with any ties decided by the Chair of the Environmental Law Section. All rights to entries will become the property of the State Bar of Michigan. The Environmental Law Section reserves the right to make editorial changes.

## To Enter:

Submit entries to Robert L. Schroder, 8921 Margo Drive, Brighton, MI 48114 (RobertSchroder@comcast.net). **Entries must be postmarked by June 30, 2009.** Include with your entry a cover letter stating your name, mailing address (both school and permanent), telephone number, name of law school, year of graduation, and a statement that the essay was not written as part of paid employment.

## For Further Information:

Contact Robert L. Schroder (810-229-8401).