

# The Center for Alcohol Policy 2012 Essay Contest

### **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 2012. The subject of the contest is: *If a country were starting alcohol regulation from scratch, what regulatory framework would you advise it to create and why?* 

#### 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. The award will be provided when essay contest winners are announced.

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

#### **Deadline**

Deadline for submissions is **December 14, 2012.** Essay submissions and the required Essay Contest Entry Form must be received by December 14, 2012, 5:30 p.m. EST. Papers postmarked/emailed after this date will not be considered. Papers may be emailed to <a href="mailto:essay@centerforalcoholpolicy.org">essay@centerforalcoholpolicy.org</a>. Papers may also be sent as a hard copy to:

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

Winners will be announced in 2013.

## **Eligibility**

The contest is open to all persons over the age of 18. Students, academics, practicing attorneys, policymakers and members of the general public are encouraged to submit

essays. No relatives of individuals working for the Center for Alcohol Policy, its leadership or contest judges 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 or 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 25 pages in length, exclusive of endnotes. Submissions that have been published or accepted for publication may be considered only if author has secured consent from the 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 then will be given to a panel of judges who will judge each essay on its analysis of the question, the depth of this analysis, the readiness of the essay for publication, the quality of the writing, the originality of the topic and the analysis used, the thoroughness of the research and its overall ability to creatively and effectively describe how the writer would advise a country that is starting alcohol regulation from scratch.

For additional information, please feel free to contact the Center for Alcohol Policy at (703) 519-3090.