

# LAW STUDENT WRITING AWARD PROGRAM **2020**

# A COMPETITION FOR FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS IN CANADIAN LAW SCHOOLS

The IIC Law Student Writing Award Program provides the opportunity for undergraduate law students to explore and discover the many facets of corporate insolvency and restructuring law through the research and development of papers.

# THE INSOLVENCY INSTITUTE OF CANADA

The IIC is Canada's premier private sector insolvency organization. It is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of excellence and thought leadership in commercial insolvency and restructuring policy and practice in Canada. Members of the IIC are drawn from the most senior and experienced members of the insolvency community. Membership is limited to 135 insolvency practitioners (trustees, lawyers and restructuring professionals) who are joined by representatives of regulatory and compensation bodies, major financial institutions and prominent members of the academic community.

#### 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE IIC LAW STUDENT WRITING AWARD PROGRAM

Our 2020 program marks the 16<sup>th</sup> year of the IIC offering the Law Student Writing Awards, which was designed to support and reward academic scholarship in the area of corporate insolvency and restructuring.

This program gives undergraduate students the opportunity to research insolvency issues and bring their proposals for reform to the attention of the business and legal community which they are about to enter.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

 The competition is open to law students in full-time undergraduate law programs at Canadian universities. Entries may be submitted in English or French.

- Each student is limited to one entry. There
  is no limit to the number of entries that may
  be submitted from one university, but each
  paper must bear the endorsement of a law
  faculty member.
- Papers must be no longer than 3,000 words (exclusive of footnotes) and must be typed.
   Papers may be jointly written.
- Papers must be submitted electronically to the Executive Director at the email provided in the entry form by the deadline.
- The paper must be focused on restructuring in an insolvency context.



### **2019 RECIPIENTS**

First Place, \$7,500: Derek Harland, Western University

"The "Key" to Success? KERPS in Canadian Restructuring Law"

Mr. Harland received his award and was recognized for his achievement at the 2019 Conference in Naples, Florida.

#### Second Place, \$5,000:

Christopher McGoey, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University

"Cryptocurrency Exchanges and the Insolvency Practitioner: Insights from Quadriga"

#### Third Place, \$2,500:

Joshua Foster, University of Toronto "Transplanting CCAA Principles & Practices into CBCA Restructuring"



#### **2020 AWARDS**

First, second and third prizes of \$7,500, \$5,000 and \$2,500 will be awarded. Papers may also be selected for publication in the Journal of the Insolvency Institute of Canada, alongside submissions from the leading experts in the field. The prize for the first-place winner will be presented at the IIC's annual conference being held October 15-18, 2020 at the Grand Okanagan Resort in Kelowna, BC. Both the first place winner and their faculty sponsor will be invited guests of the IIC at the conference, with complimentary conference registration (including accommodations). Travel costs will be reimbursed. If a co-authored paper is selected for first place, the division of the prize and the reimbursed travel costs will be entirely at the discretion of the winners.

#### **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES:**

#### **FRIDAY JUNE 15, 2020**

All papers provided to the Judges are confidential and do not include the author's name or university affiliation to ensure impartiality during the judging and winning paper selection process.

#### **JUDGES PANEL**



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# **2020 ENTRY FORM**

**CLOSING DATE: JUNE 15, 2020** 

Title and Subject of paper:		
	hich Author(s) is/are enrolled:	
Name of Entrant(s):		
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Home Address:		
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Telephone Number:		
Email Address of Entrant(s)	1:	
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I certify that the submission entered above is an original composition unpublished in its present form in any publication. I agree to the terms concerning the submission of this entry as outlined below in Submission of Entries.		
Name and Signature of the F	aculty Sponsor:	
Position of Sponsor:		
Office Telephone Number:		
Email Address of Faculty Sp	onsor:	

I endorse the submission of this paper to the IIC Law Student Writing Awards Program and confirm that the author is a full-time undergraduate law student at the University noted above.

#### **SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES:**

Entries must be submitted by no later than June 15, 2020.

All entries will become the property of IIC and may be further published or used in any manner whatsoever as the IIC may see fit. Each entrant waives all proprietary rights he or she may have in and to the paper submitted.

#### **RETURN TO:**

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