



Sports Lawyers Association Announces Winners of 2017 Law Student Writing Competition

Reston, VA. – May 19, 2017 – The Sports Lawyers Association (www.sportslaw.org), the leading organization of professionals dedicated to the practice and teaching of sports law in the United States, and one of the leading sports law professional organizations worldwide, announced the winners of the fifth annual SLA Law Student Writing competition. The winners were announced on Friday, May 19 at the Denver Marriott City Center in Denver, Colorado during the luncheon of the SLA Conference presented by Morgan Stanley. In order to be considered for the SLA Law Student Writing Competition, currently enrolled law students were required to choose a current issue in sports law and advocate a position in their written submission.

“Congratulations to this year’s winners and thanks to all students who submitted articles; your efforts advance the SLA’s objective of developing strong advocacy and writing skills by sponsoring this competition,” said Professor Matt Mitten, the SLA president and Executive Director of the National Sports Law Institute of Marquette University Law School.

The 2017 SLA Law Student Writing Competition winners are:

First Place - \$5000.00 prize

Nicoleas Mayne

Harvard Law

DERAILING THE T TRAIN: CURBING THE ABUSE OF TORADOL IN THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Second Place - \$3000.00 prize

Nicolas Plinio

Seton Hall University of Law

Be-Wear of Wearables: Addressing Cutting-Edge Technology and Unique Data Privacy Challenges in the “Internet Age” of professional sports.

Third Place - \$2000.00 prize

Michael Ingersoll

UNC School of Law

STUDENT ATHLETES AS EMPLOYEES: Northwestern, Columbia and Unionization

Runner-Up

Sara Gershon

University of Georgia School of Law

Are Student Athletes Employees? Practical Problems in Classifying Student-Athletes as Employees and a Proposal for How Best to Protect Their Interests Without Such a Classification.

About Sports Lawyers Association:

The Sports Lawyers Association (SLA) is a non-profit, international, professional organization whose common goal is the understanding, advancement and ethical practice of sports law. There are approximately 1,800 current members: practicing lawyers, in-house counsel, law educators, law students, and other professionals with an interest in law relating to professional and amateur sports spanning the breadth of the entire sports industry. The Association's Annual Conference takes place every May, with the 43rd Annual Sports Lawyers Conference presented by Morgan Stanley scheduled for May 18-20, 2017 in Denver, Colorado. Follow SLA online at www.sportslaw.org, on Twitter @SportsLawyers and on Facebook at the Sports Lawyers Association page.

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