2019 Student Award Nomination Information

The National LGBT Bar Association is accepting submissions for the Student Leadership Award and the Michael Greenberg Student Writing Competition.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The National LGBT Bar Association’s Student Leadership Award is the organization’s highest honor for law students. The 2019 Student Leadership Award will be presented at a special reception at the Lavender Law® Conference & Career Fair, held August 7-9, 2019, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ELIGIBILITY: Students must be enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school during the 2018-2019 academic year.

NOMINATIONS: To nominate an eligible candidate, please submit:

1. A 250 to 500-word statement indicating why the nominee deserves recognition for their service to the LGBTQ+ community throughout law school; and
2. A copy of the nominee’s resume.

Nominations are accepted from anyone, including professors, previous or current employers, peers, and nominees themselves. Please note that recipients are expected to be present at the 2019 Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to accept the award.

AWARDS: The Student Leadership First Place Winner will receive:

1. Registration costs for the 2019 Lavender Law® Conference & Career Fair.
2. Congratulatory plaque and official recognition at the conference.
3. A $500 cash prize.

DEADLINE: Entries must be submitted before the competition closing date of April 1st, 2019 at 5:00pm ET. Please send all questions and nominations for the Student Leadership Award to nominations@lgbtbar.org. Please write “Student Leadership Award” in the subject line.
Michael Greenberg Student Writing Competition

The Michael Greenberg Student Writing Competition scholarship recognizes and encourages outstanding law student scholarship on the legal issues affecting LGBTQ+ persons. The scholarship was established in memory of Michael Greenberg, a former National LGBT Bar Association Board Member and Philadelphian attorney who died in 1996 from complications of AIDS.

**TOPIC:** Legal issues affecting the LGBTQ+ community.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Students must be enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school during the 2018-2019 academic year.

**AWARDS:**

The Student Leadership First Place Winner will receive:

1. Registration, airfare (within the 48 contiguous United States), and hotel costs for the 2019 Lavender Law® Conference & Career Fair in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;
3. A $500 cash prize.

**FORMAT:** Each entry should be a scholarly piece fit for publication in a law review. Entries should follow standard note format, including Bluebook (19th edition) citation form. All entries must be submitted in English. Each entry should be no longer than 25 single-sided pages with one-inch margins and 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced. The page limit includes footnotes. Footnotes should be single-spaced and 10-point font. Entries containing endnotes or including appendices or supplemental material will not be considered. Published papers or papers to be published in other publications during the entirety of the competition process are ineligible. Individuals may submit only one entry and group entries will not be accepted. Entries should be the sole work of the author and should not yet have undergone significant editing by others. Editing includes any significant revision as well as technical or substantive review of citations. Informal support, such as general comments on preliminary drafts, is allowed.

All entries must be submitted electronically in either Word or PDF format. Entrants must not include their name or the name of their school on the competition paper itself. Instead, participants must submit a separate cover page indicating their name, school, permanent address, telephone number, and a statement indicating that a preemption check has been completed as of the date of submission. We reserve the right to reject any submissions that do not conform to these standards, particularly those that list any identifying information on the submission directly.
**DEADLINE:** Entries must be submitted before the competition closing date of May 15th, 2019 at 5pm ET. All entries must be submitted via email to writingcompetition@lgbtbar.org. Please write “Michael E. Greenberg Writing Competition” in the subject line.