

Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition

The law firm of **Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP** is now accepting submissions for the **Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition**.

Since the firm's inception in 1948, Honigman has been widely regarded as a sophisticated corporate law firm with lawyers possessing sharp business acumen and thoughtful legal scholarship. Throughout the years, our lawyers have had a hand in guiding – and at times even actually writing – Michigan's corporate and securities laws and regulations. They have assisted attorneys and judges in understanding those laws and regulations, and they have ultimately shaped how companies conduct business in the state.



Cyril Moscow

We have been honored to have **Cyril ("Cy") Moscow**, as one of our esteemed colleagues for 55 years. In 1968, Cy helped draft the Michigan Business Corporation Act after Jason Honigman, the firm's founder and then-Chair of the Michigan Law Revision Commission, decided that the 1931 Michigan corporation statute needed revising and turned to him for help. Ever since, Cy has drafted amendments to the Michigan Business Corporation Act, and he has served on the Business Corporation Act revision subcommittee. Cy also co-authors the well-respected and well-used treatise on Michigan corporate law, *Michigan Corporation Law & Practice*, that he updates annually. He also continues to teach at the University of Michigan Law School and serves on the Advisory Board at the Levin Center at Wayne State University Law School.

Honigman would like to continue its tradition of contributing to the knowledge and scholarship of Michigan securities law through the commencement of an annual **Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition**.

Purpose

The purpose of the competition is to (1) create interest in securities law among law students and (2) promote the knowledge and scholarship of federal and state securities law to the local bench and bar.

Competition Prize

The winner of the Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition will receive \$1,500 and will be featured at the annual Midwest Securities Law Institute, which is traditionally held in October at Michigan State University College of Law.

Eligibility

The competition is open to all full- and part-time J.D. law students who are enrolled at one of the following law schools:

- Michigan State University College of Law
- University of Michigan Law School
- Wayne State University Law School
- University of Detroit Mercy
- Western Michigan University Cooley Law School

Employees of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP and their immediate household and family members are ineligible to enter the competition. Only one entry per participant is permitted.

Submission Criteria

- Submissions may include articles prepared for class assignments, law journals, or other purposes, as well as those written specifically for this competition.
- Articles that have been submitted to or published by a student publication within the last year are acceptable for submission to the competition. The submission entry form must indicate to which publication(s) the work has been submitted and whether it has been published.



Subject Matter and Length

- The article may address any aspect of state or federal securities law, securities practice, securities arbitration, or securities litigation that the contestant chooses. The article can be based in theory or practice.
- There is no page limit for this competition.

Submission Guidelines

- The text of the article must be double-spaced, with 12 point font and one-inch margins.
- An official entry form (attached) must be completed and accompany the submitted entry. All fields in the entry must be completed.
- The entry should be submitted to Alicia Hatcher (ahatcher@honigman.com) via email. The email should have the subject header, "Attn: Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition."
- The contestant's name and other identifying markings such as school name are not to be on any copy of the submitted entry.
- Neither the contestant's identity nor her or his academic institution will be known to the Securities Law Writing Competition Committee doing the judging.
- Contestants will receive confirmation of the entry. The winner will be notified by electronic mail of his or her selection.
- Honigman is not responsible for any error, computer malfunction, or failed transmission.

Entry Deadline

Entries for the competition must be submitted by Monday, June 19, 2017.

Authorship

Each entry shall be the original work. The ideas and work reflected by each entry must be the author's or authors' own. The author(s) must perform all of the key tasks of identifying the topic, researching it, analyzing it, formulating positions and arguments, and writing and revising the article.

Judging

Entries will be judged based on the following criteria: clarity of the theme or thesis presented, significance of the topic to the field of securities law, originality and creativity of topic treatment, quality of analysis, quality of research and authority provided, and technical quality of writing, including organization, grammar, syntax and form. The entries will be judged by Honigman's Securities Law Writing Competition Committee, which is comprised of selected attorneys from the firm's Corporate Department and Securities and Corporate Governance Litigation practices. The winning selection will be made by the Securities Law Writing Competition Committee and approved by the Committee Chair.

The Committee Chair will notify the winner of its selection by email no later than Friday, August 25, 2017. If the winner does not respond within 10 business days of notification, or notification is returned as undeliverable, the winner forfeits all rights to participate or receive the prize, and an alternate winner may be selected. Honigman reserves the right not to award any prize if it is determined that no entries are of sufficient quality to merit selection.

By entering the competition, participants agree that the decision of the judges is final.

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Entry Form

This entry form must be completed and accompany the submitted article. All fields in the entry must be completed.

Article Title

Article Title: _____

Student Information

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Law School: _____

Expected Graduation Month/Year: _____

Faculty Advisor's Information

Name: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Submission of this cover form and article constitutes an eligible entry for the Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition. Submission also constitutes agreement to abide by the decision of Honigman's Securities Law Writing Competition Committee on any questions raised in connection with the conduct of the contest and the award of prizes. Submission acknowledges understanding that the selection of the winning entry is the sole responsibility of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP, and that the student submitting the entry has been provided with a copy of the competition procedures to which he or she agrees.

Please email a copy of the article and this entry form to Ms. Alicia Hatcher at ahatcher@honigman.com; telephone no. (313) 465-7863. The email should have the subject line: "Attn: Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition."

Questions about the **Honigman Securities Law Writing Competition** can be directed to **Mr. Raymond W. Henney** at rhenney@honigman.com or (313) 465-7410.

