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The 15th Annual National NALSA Writing Competition

The Columbia Law School NALSA chapter is proud to present the 15th Annual National Native American Law Students Association Writing Competition.

Submission Deadline: 5:00 pm EST, Monday February 8, 2016.

The competition aims to recognize excellence in legal research and writing related to Indian law; actively encourage the development of writing skills of National NALSA members; and enhance substantive knowledge in the fields of Federal Indian Law, Tribal Law, and traditional forms of governance. Current NNALSA members who are matriculated law students at any point in their law school career may enter the competition. Eligible paper topics are Federal Indian law and policy, Tribal law and policy, International law and policy concerning indigenous peoples, and comparative law (i.e inter-tribal or government-to-government studies). Existing work is welcome.

First Prize: Monetary Award and Publication in the *Columbia Journal of Race and Law*.

Second Prize: Monetary Award. **Third Prize:** Monetary Award.

The awardees will be recognized during the National NALSA annual meeting at the 41st Annual Federal Bar Association Indian Law Conference on April 7–8, 2016.

All submissions must be electronically submitted to 2016NNALSAWritingCompetition@gmail.com. Please remove any identifying information, such as name and law school, from your submission.

Competition participants are required to be current NNALSA members. To register for membership and to view the Official Competition Rules, please visit the NNALSA website at http://www.nationalnalsa.org/#!writing-competition/e5d6c.



