

UH Law Center

Summary of Tax Competitions & Tax Scholarship Opportunities

1. Tannenwald Tax Writing Competition

The Competition is open to (I) law students, undergraduate (JD) or graduate (LLM. or SJD), enrolled full or part-time in a U.S. law school during the 2017/18 academic year. Deadline for submission for earlier competition was July 5, 2017. See this webpage for 2018 competition information:

[www.tannenwald-org\competition rules](http://www.tannenwald-org.competition%20rules)

2. Law Student Writing Contest for the ABA's Section of Real Property, Trust & Estate Law (RPTE)

See contest rules:

http://www.americanbar.org/groups/real_property_trust_estate/fellowships_and_awards/writing_contest.html.

The deadline for entries was June 30, 2017. Information concerning the 2018 competition is not presently available.

3. ABA Tax Section - Law School Tax Challenge

The Law Student Tax Challenge is a contest designed to give students an opportunity to research, write about, and present their analyses of a real-life tax planning problem. The competition is open to both J.D. and LL.M. law students. The website includes separate J.D. and LLM competition problems. The problems for the 2017-2018 competition have been released during September, 2017. See:

www.americanbar.org/groups/taxation/awards/law_student_tax_challenge

4. State Bar of Texas Section of Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Student Writing Contest

The goals of the State Bar of Texas Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section ("REPTL") Student Writing Contest ("Contest") are to encourage and reward law

student writings on real property, probate, and trust law subjects of general and current interest. The next deadline is January 12, 2018. See the website: Texas State Bar Section of Real Property, Probate and Trust Law/writing competition/2017/student contest rules.

5. State Bar of Texas Section of Taxation Scholarships

The Tax Section of the State Bar of Texas has annually been awarding up to three \$2,000 scholarships to students demonstrating academic excellence and commitment to the study and practice of tax law. Any student who is enrolled in an ABA accredited law school at the time the application is submitted and who intends to practice tax law in Texas is eligible to apply. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist students with their financial needs and to facilitate and encourage students to enter the practice of tax law in Texas and become active members of the State Bar of Texas Tax Section. Selection criteria of the scholarships include: merit, scholastic performance, financial need, and demonstrated experience and interest in the field of tax law. Consideration is also given to extracurricular activities both inside and outside law school, including but not limited to legal externships or internships with state or federal taxing authorities such as the Internal Revenue Service, Office of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, or Texas-based legal aid societies and clinics. Applications for the scholarships to be awarded in the year 2018 are not currently available. In prior years applications for these scholarships were to be forwarded by early April of the calendar year. The scholarships are ordinarily awarded at the State Bar Annual Meeting. See the website of the State Bar of Texas Section of Taxation for the application form (when made available).

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