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2026 WRITING COMPETITION

The American College of Consumer Financial Services Lawyers is pleased to announce its 2026 annual writing competition to recognize significant written contributions to the field of U.S. consumer financial services law in the following categories:

a) Books
b) Publishable articles, book chapters, or substantial book reviews by a professional in the field
c) Publishable student case notes, articles, or comments

The awards include cash payments of $5000, $3500, and $1500 respectively for the above categories, and a Certificate of Recognition from the College. In any given year, depending on submissions, awards may be made in all, some, or no categories. Official publications of or by government agencies are not eligible.

Eligible entries must discuss an aspect of **U.S. consumer financial services law**. Not eligible are topics that relate principally to securities regulation, bankruptcy, insurance, or the safety and soundness aspects of banking regulation. However, works on subjects within these (or other) areas will be considered if they bear directly on U.S. consumer financial services law.

Entries must have been written or published between November 1, 2024, and November 1, 2025. **The deadline for submission is November 1, 2025.** Eligible entries may be submitted by authors directly or by third parties on behalf of authors. (If submitted by a third party on behalf of an author, the submitter must obtain author consent and provide author contact information.) Unpublished entries should be typed, double spaced, and conform to law review standards. All entries should be submitted in electronic format via e-mail to the e-mail addresses at the end of this announcement.

The American College of Consumer Financial Services Lawyers is a nonprofit association of attorneys who have made significant contributions to U.S. consumer financial services law over an extended period of time. Its members include academics, present and former federal and state regulatory and enforcement officers, authors in the field, private practitioners, counsel for financial institutions and other service providers, and representatives of consumer protection and advocacy organizations.

Entries must be submitted in electronic format and should be sent to:
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More information on the College and the writing competition may be found at:
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