

# JOURNAL OF LAW & LIBERTY REQUIREMENTS AND CREDIT POLICY

## Purpose:

The Journal of Law & Liberty is devoted to the critical discussion of classical liberal and libertarian legal scholarship. The Journal will publish three physical issues each year, as well as scholarship and commentary on its website, which reflect the desire to critically consider and discuss this area of scholarship.

## Amending the Bylaws:

None of the bylaws may be amended unless at least two-thirds (2/3rds) of the Executive Board is present for a meeting either in person or through a remote video conferencing service, such as Zoom. At least two-thirds (2/3rds) of those present must agree in order to amend the bylaws.

## **Executive Board Membership:**

The Executive Board consists of one Editor-in-Chief, one or two Managing Editors, any Senior Executive Editors, and any Senior Notes Editors. However, for the 2023-2024 academic year, there shall be two Editors-in-Chief. The number of Editors-in-Chief or Managing Editors may not be changed, except by amending the bylaws in accordance with the procedure for amending the bylaws. The number of persons selected to the other Executive Board positions may be changed by the Editor-in-Chief with the advice of the Executive Board, and if there are two Editors-in-Chief they may change the number of persons selected to the other Executive Board positions by acting unanimously.

### Attendance Policy for Journal Events:

The Journal of Law & Liberty strives to develop and organize quality academic events each year. Attendance at these events is an important part of journal membership. Journal members are required to attend all academic events sponsored by the Journal, including the Hayek Lecture and symposia. In the event that a member cannot attend an event, he or she must inform the Executive Board before the event. If a member fails to inform the Executive Board of his or her absence, lacks good cause for missing the event, and fails to attend two or more events, he or she may be dismissed from the Journal.

Good cause in this section includes, but is not limited to:

- a. A death or serious illness of a close family member
- b. Illness of the Journal member
- c. Class scheduled during the event
- d. Religious observance during the event

#### Assignments:



Journal members must complete their assignments on time. A member who cannot complete an assignment on time should inform his or her supervising member as soon as possible. Completing cite & source checking assignments, and other assignments, in a quality way is integral to the success of the Journal. All members must make a good faith effort to complete their assignments, and work with Senior Executive Editors or other members of the Journal to complete their assignments.

After one failure to submit a completed assignment on time, the Senior Executive Editor (or other Journal member) overseeing the assignment is obligated to meet the person who has failed to submit a completed assignment, and attempt to resolve the situation. Failure to complete two or more assignments on time, without good cause, may result in dismissal from the Journal. Work product that contains many mistakes and exhibits a clear lack of effort in the opinion of the Senior Executive Editor (or other Journal member overseeing the assignment) will be considered incomplete. A member who submits incomplete work on two or more occasions may be dismissed from the Journal. 3L members who receive credit for their participation on the Journal will lose their credits if dismissed. The Executive Board will refrain from assigning work during Finals, but may assign work during breaks.

Good cause in this section includes, but is not limited to:

- a. A death or serious illness of a close family member
- b. Illness of the Journal member

Good cause in this section does not ordinarily include:

- a. Long-scheduled trip or vacation
- b. Studying because finals are near

#### 3L Positions:

All 3L members of the Journal receive two academic credits for their participation on the Journal. The Office of Records and Registration will register students for journal credit. At the beginning of the year, the Editor(s) in-Chief will contact each 3L to determine how he or she would like to use his or her credits, but it is each member's responsibility to confirm that the appropriate number of credits has been added to his or her transcript. Each 3L's obligation to the Journal is not extinguished until graduation, even if a new Executive Board has been elected and a transition in power is occurring or has occurred.

## **Elections:**

2L candidates will apply for positions on the Executive Board for the following year during the spring semester of their 2L year. The candidates will be interviewed by the current Executive Board which will then deliberate and decide via a vote as to which candidates will assume each position. Every Executive Board member is entitled to a vote. In the event that the vote is a tie, the current Editor-in-Chief will have the deciding vote. In the event that the vote is a tie and there are two Editors-in-Chief and the Editors-in-Chief are divided, the vote shall be settled by a vote of the 3L class. If the tie persists, it shall be settled by coin flip.