



The Commercial Law Quarterly is celebrating its 35th Anniversary with an Essay Competition

The Commercial Law Association of Australia invites you to contribute a paper.

The Prizes

\$3,500 plus free CLA seminars to 31 March 2024 for the Open Category and \$1,000 for the Student Category.

The Things You Need To Know

Submissions open on Friday, 20 May 2022 with entries for the competition closing on Friday, 24 February 2023.

Entries should be sent to memberservices@cla.org.au

Please include a contact phone number, your firm or tertiary institution and which category you are entering.

The winners will be announced on Friday, 10 March 2023.

The purpose of this essay competition is:

- To reward original thought in the areas of commercial law practice or issues in commercial law in Australia.
 - To encourage high quality work in law and commercial practice.
- To improve links between those studying and commencing work with more established practitioners.

Open Category Prize — \$3,500 plus free CLA seminars during 2023

The Open Category Prize is open to anyone, wherever resident, who is studying or has studied legal subjects at a tertiary level, or who is working or has worked in a law-based occupation. There is no limit by reference to seniority or experience.

Accordingly, judicial officers, legal practitioners, legal academics and law students are all eligible to submit an essay.

The topic of the essay must relate to commercial law practice or issues in commercial law in Australia.

Student Category Prize — \$1,000

The Student Category Prize is open to students currently studying for a legal qualification at an Australian tertiary institution; or anyone who has studied for a legal qualification at an Australian tertiary institution in 2021 and whose entry for this prize was submitted as a paper for that qualification.

The topic of the essay must relate to commercial law practice or issues in commercial law in Australia.

You can nominate for both categories, but you can only win one award.

The essay should be of 10,000 words or more in length. This is not a hard line, but around that number is preferable.

The Rules

Entries must be the author's original work and be unpublished at the time of submission and must remain unpublished until the competition results are announced unless the publications committee agrees otherwise.

By submitting an entry, each author agrees that, should they win a prize with the entry, they will grant The Commercial Law Association of Australia Limited (CLA) a perpetual non-exclusive, royalty-free licence to publish the entry, or excerpts from it, on the CLA's website, and to use the entry and the author's name in marketing material to promote the CLA and its objects.

The CLA proposes that winning entries, and other entries worthy of publication, be submitted for publication in the *Commercial Law Quarterly*.

The winner of the Open Category may attend seminars in person or via Zoom.

The decisions of the judges appointed by the CLA for each prize are final.