

# Chicago-Kent College of Law

## Martin H. Malin Institute for Law and the Workplace

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Dear Colleague:

As director of the Martin H. Malin Institute for Law and the Workplace at IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, I am delighted to announce that manuscripts are now being accepted for the annual Louis Jackson Memorial National Student Writing Competition in Employment and Labor Law. The competition is supported by Jackson Lewis P.C. in honor of founding partner Louis Jackson and administered by the Institute. The top three winners receive scholarships: \$3,000 for the first-place winner, and \$1,000 each for the two second-place winners.

The competition is open to all current law students, and the papers must be on a topic related to the law of the workplace. Entries must be received by midnight on Tuesday, January 16, 2024. Judging is doubly anonymous and performed by a panel of law professors from across the country; neither Jackson Lewis nor Chicago-Kent is involved in that part of the process.

This is the twenty-sixth year of the competition. Recent winning papers have come from students at:

Brooklyn Law School  
Florida International University College of Law  
Harvard Law School  
Illinois Tech Chicago-Kent College of Law  
New York University School of Law  
Pepperdine Caruso School of Law  
Saint Louis University School of Law  
Seton Hall University School of Law

University of Alabama School of Law  
University of California, Los Angeles School of Law  
University of Denver Sturm College of Law  
University of Iowa College of Law  
University of Nebraska College of Law  
University of North Carolina School of Law  
University of Wisconsin Law School  
Vanderbilt Law School

We would greatly appreciate your help in circulating the enclosed announcement, which contains detailed information about entry requirements, to your students and networks.

With best wishes for a safe and healthy semester,



Nicole Buonocore Porter  
Professor and Director  
Martin H. Malin Institute for Law and the Workplace

# 2023–2024 Louis Jackson Memorial National Student Writing Competition in Employment and Labor Law

Co-sponsored by Jackson Lewis P.C.  
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The Martin H. Malin Institute for Law and the Workplace at Chicago-Kent College of Law

## TOPIC

Judges will consider papers on any topic relating to laws governing the workplace, such as employment law, labor law, employee benefits, or employment discrimination.

## REQUIREMENTS & ELIGIBILITY

Entries must be the law student author's own work. Authors must have completed or be currently taking coursework in employment or labor law and must be enrolled in an accredited law school in the US during the Spring 2024 semester. Only the first two submissions per law school will be accepted as entries for consideration.

## FORMAT

Entries must be suitable for publication in a law review. Citations must conform to current Bluebook style. Papers must not exceed 35 pages in length when printed on 8½ x 11-inch paper, including footnotes. Papers should be double spaced, with one-inch margins, and in 12-point Times Roman font (footnotes in 10-point font). Judging will be anonymous. No identifying information other than the title should appear on the paper.

## SUBMISSION

Submit manuscripts to [malininstitute@kentlaw.iit.edu](mailto:malininstitute@kentlaw.iit.edu). In your email, include your name, school, year (e.g., 2L), and school email address (if different from the one you use to send the paper). Papers must be received by 11:59 PM (CST) on Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

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## DEADLINE DATE:

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024

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## AWARDS

The first-place award is \$3,000. Two \$1,000 awards will be presented to two second-place winners. All awards are in the form of scholarships.

## JUDGING

Entries will be judged by an independent panel of law professors from across the US. The determination of the judges' panel is final. Neither Jackson Lewis P.C. nor the Malin Institute is involved in judging the competition.

## CONTACT

Questions may be directed to Institute Director Nicole Buonocore Porter at [nporter@kentlaw.iit.edu](mailto:nporter@kentlaw.iit.edu) or Program Associate Tristan Kirvin at [tkirvin@kentlaw.iit.edu](mailto:tkirvin@kentlaw.iit.edu).

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