

THE GUIDELINES FOR TAKING PART IN THE COMPETITION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Eligibility

Any law student (100-500 levels) in a recognised faculty of law in Nigeria.

Originality

All entries must be original, and must not have been previously published. Entries will be properly checked for plagiarism. Where a content is discovered to be plagiarized by a participant, it will be a basis for disqualification.

Entry Deadline

24 June 2021.



ESSAY COMPETITION FOR LAW STUDENTS

RouQ and Company (the "Firm") is a law firm distinguished by excellence and industry. The firm was established in July 2003 with the aim of delivering a broad range of specialist legal advisory and consultancy services to all its clients. The Firm has a highly diversified client base of top-tier domestic, international and multinational clients which cuts across several industry sectors. In celebration of its 18th year anniversary, the Firm is organizing an essay competition for law students in faculties of law in Nigeria.

Is the law, as it is, sufficient to curb security challenges in the country? What reforms need to be put in place to make the law more effective? In the light of this, participants are expected to address 'The Role of Law, the Judiciary and the Legal Profession in Curbing Security Challenges in Nigeria.'

Submission

All entries should be sent to essays@rouqandco.org

Word Limit

Maximum of 1000 words, inclusive of footnotes.

Format

Font size should be 12 and line spacing 1.5 for the body. For the footnotes, font size should be 10 and line spacing 1.0.

Referencing Style

Endnotes and in-texts referencing are not allowed. Only footnotes are allowed and they must comply with OSCOLA.

Entry Fees

No Entry Fee

Title Page

There should be a title page that will comprise the name of student, matric number and university. Participants should not include their names on pages of the essay.

Prize for Winners

The overall winner and two runners-up will each receive the following—

1st Prize:

N250,000.00; winner's certificate; internship in the Firm; and publication of the winning essay on the Firm's website.

1st Runner-up:

N150,000.00; first runner-up certificate; internship in the Firm; and publication of the essay on the Firm's website.

2nd Runner-up:

N100,000.00; second runner-up certificate; internship in the Firm; and publication of the essay on the Firm's website.

Winners will be invited for the Firm's 18th year anniversary where the prizes will be awarded.

Referencing Style

1. Non-compliance with the guidelines will amount to automatic disqualification.
 2. The Firm reserves the discretion to split the prizes where there are ties or where the Firm feels there are more winners deserving of the prizes.
 3. The Firm also reserves the discretion to admit participants that come 4th, 5th and 6th in the competition for internship in the Firm.
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