The University of Florida, Levin College of Law
Criminal Justice Center and
Criminal Law Association

Present

THE FIRST ANNUAL CRIMINAL VIDEO-ADVOCACY COMPETITION
Sponsored by the Criminal Justice Center and
the Criminal Law Association

COMPETITION RULES

ELIGIBILITY: The contest is open to all University of Florida law students.

TOPIC: 4th Amendment Rights

JUDGING: A winning entry will contain an original, creative, and educational portrayal of one or more Fourth Amendment issues geared toward a college-student audience. The submissions will be evaluated by members of a judging panel, who will use clarity of thought, well-structured argumentation, creative use of videography, and liveliness of expression as their main criteria. Decisions of the judging panel will be final.

PRIZE: The winner will receive a $500 cash prize and dinner with Professors Haughton and Dekle. The second place winner will receive a $350 cash prize and the third place winner will receive $150. The winning entry will also be shown, along with other honorable mention entries, at a viewing party at the law school. At the discretion of the review committee, the winning entry may be selected to be aired on Gator Vision network.

CONDITIONS: Only original videos are eligible. Participants may work in teams not to exceed three UF law students per group. Participants are allowed to have their work reviewed and critiqued by a faculty member or practicing lawyer, although the submission must be the students’ own work. The name of the reviewing faculty member or lawyer must be listed on the cover page of the entry. Judges of the competition shall not participate in this process. A student or student team may submit only one entry per contest year. Submission of an entry constitutes an agreement by the student or student team that the video submission will not be used for commercial purposes without written consent of the University of Florida.

FORMAT: Entries must be in video format and must be submitted on a functioning DVD. Entries must be between 5 to 10 minutes in length. Creativity is encouraged! We do not want a video of a talking head doing traditional courtroom advocacy, but a "commercial" with visuals and scenes and clips, with voice-over or a narrator or "reporter" filling in the gaps. Contestants should present a non-partisan policy position, or warn the college students about some issue related to their Fourth Amendment rights. Other than historical clips, only members of the student-team may appear or be heard on the video presentation.

SUBMISSION PROCESS: Entries must include 1) a completed cover sheet (attached), and 2) three copies of the participant’s DVD submission. Entries should be placed in a sealed manilla envelope and submitted to Eva Achero in Room 100, Bruton-Geer Hall.

DEADLINE: Entries must be submitted by October 29, 2012. The winners will be notified by November 10th.
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COVER SHEET

NAME AND EMAIL ADDRESSES OF PARTICIPANT(S):

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TITLE OF ENTRY:

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NAMES OF ANY FACULTY MEMBERS OR LAWYERS WHO HELPED WITH ENTRY (if applicable):

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