



2024 IP STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Pittsburgh Intellectual Property Law Association (PIPLA) is pleased to announce its annual Intellectual Property Law Student Leadership Award competition.

The Award: One **\$1,500 award** will be given to a law student at either the University of Pittsburgh, Duquesne University, or West Virginia University. Although the award has traditionally been given to a graduating student, all students meeting the criteria are encouraged to apply.

Eligibility Criteria: To be eligible, an Applicant must:

- (1) Be a currently enrolled law student at either the University of Pittsburgh, Duquesne University, or West Virginia University;
- (2) Have completed or be currently enrolled in at least two Intellectual Property courses; and
- (3) Engage in at least one extra-curricular Intellectual Property-related activity or organization.

Selection Criteria: The award will be based upon the Applicant's demonstration of leadership as reflected by the Applicant's:

- (1) Grades in the courses taken in the law school's Intellectual Property elective course concentration and the Intellectual Property courses in which the Applicant is currently enrolled;
- (2) Level and impact of participation in student or professional organizations that are related to the development, education, or advancement of Intellectual Property. Particular weight will be given to participation and level of involvement in PIPLA;
- (3) Level and impact of participation in moot court competitions involving Intellectual Property issues;
- (4) Articles written on Intellectual Property issues submitted for publication in any medium; and
- (5) Level and impact of clinical or other collaborative work involving Intellectual Property issues.

Although selection criterion (1) will apply to all applicants, the extent to which the Selection Criteria (2) through (5) apply will vary from applicant to applicant. In other words, an Applicant having engaged in an activity identified in any of selection criteria (2) through (5) is a plus in the evaluation of the Applicant for an award, but is not necessary to receive an award.

Submission Date: Any eligible law student who wishes to apply must complete and submit the attached Application form to the address indicated thereon no later than **April 5, 2024**.

Application Forms: Copies of the attached Application Form can be obtained at www.piplaonline.org. All applicants must use the Application Form.



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APPLICATION FORM

All of the following requested information must be supplied in order for an application to be considered for the award. Please use additional pages, if necessary.

Identification Information

1. Law School:
2. Name:
3. Mailing address:

4. E-mail address:
5. Telephone number:

Activities

Please describe, where applicable, your participation in the following:

* Student or professional organizations that are related to the development, education, or advancement of Intellectual Property, identifying the length and level of participation and any offices held:

* Participation in moot court competitions involving issues of Intellectual Property, identifying the competition, any Intellectual Property issues involved, and any individual or team awards and placements:

* Articles written on Intellectual Property issues submitted for publication in any medium, identifying the title and the topic of each article, when it was submitted, where it was submitted to, and the medium in which it was published, if any:

* Clinical or other collaborative work involving Intellectual Property issues. Please identify the clinic, work activity, the time period of participation, and the Intellectual Property issues addressed:

Short Essay:

* In two typed pages or less, please describe how you have exhibited leadership or have otherwise contributed to the advancement of Intellectual Property issues in your law school or the broader community while participating in the activities described above.

Transcripts of Intellectual Property Courses

An official transcript containing the Applicant's grades or current enrollment in at least two Intellectual Property courses must be sent by the Applicant to the address given below.

Submission Address

The application form and the official transcript is to be sent is to be sent by the Applicant to the following address:

Christian Angotti
Chair, PIPLA Student Outreach Committee
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Please e-mail a copy to Christian Angotti at CAngotti@littler.com.

Questions: If you have any questions, please call or email Christian Angotti: 412-901-3870/CAngotti@littler.com.