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To Whom It May Concern:

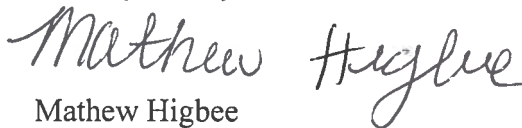
Equipping law students with the skills necessary to be effective attorneys includes raising awareness of the impact of making changes to laws. To this end, the Law Firm of Higbee & Associates is excited to partner with The Foundation for Continuing Justice in sponsoring the Third-Annual Criminal Record Policy Essay Competition and Scholarship.

This writing competition is designed to promote increased awareness regarding laws governing the retention and dissemination of criminal records by state agencies, the public's use of such records, and how these laws have a very real impact on the daily lives of many Americans. Students will have the option to choose from several topics surrounding the availability and use of criminal records, and will be able to explore ideas pertaining to how legislation can be used to make positive impacts.

This is a great opportunity for students to better prepare themselves for a career in the legal field, to add to their resume, and to earn scholarship money at the same time! There will be five winning essays selected, with \$3,500.00 available in scholarship prizes.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would provide your student body with details and information about the contest. Enclosed are flyers containing further details, and additional information about the contest can be found online at:  
**[www.recordgone.com/competition](http://www.recordgone.com/competition)**.

Thank you very much,



Mathew Higbee

Founding Attorney of Higbee & Associates



## RECORDGONE

# Higbee & Associates and the Foundation for Continuing Justice 2019-2020 Student Writing Competition

The Foundation for Continuing Justice and the Law Firm of Higbee & Associates are pleased to announce the third Annual Criminal Record Policy Essay Competition and Scholarship for law students. This inaugural competition will award four cash prizes. The competition is intended to expand the awareness of consequences of criminal records and the laws that govern their retention, dissemination and expungement, as well as to encourage research into the ways to improve related laws.

### TOPICS (Choose One):

- How to improve expungement related laws in (state of your choice)
- When, if ever, should government stop reporting criminal records to the public?
- What affects do criminal records have on former offenders ability to re-assimilate?



### GUIDELINES:

The essay should be between 2,000 and 5,000 words in length. The essay must be original content that has not been previously published. Essays must be submitted in compliance with the terms set forth at:

[www.recordgone.com/competition](http://www.recordgone.com/competition)

**H&A LAW STUDENT  
WRITING COMPETITION**

### PRIZES:

<p><b>Scholarships For The Winning Essays Are As Follows:</b></p> <p><b>First Place:</b> \$2,000.00 <b>Second Place:</b> \$1,000.00 <b>Third Place:</b> \$300.00 <b>Honorable Mention:</b> \$200.00</p>	<p><b>Submission Deadline:</b></p> <p>All Essays Are Due By September 30, 2020 The Winners Will Be Announced On Or Before October 31, 2020</p>
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Winning essays will be posted on the sponsor's web site and credit will be given to the author. By submitting an essay, you are granting the sponsors permission to post the essay on their web sites and social media channels.

### ELIGIBILITY, REQUIREMENTS & DETAILS

- Entrants must 18 years of age or older and enrolled in a Juris Doctor program in the United States.
- Only one essay submission per law student.
- All entrants will be notified of the results on or before October 31, 2020. Winners will be sent a check via US Mail before November 15, 2020.
- The awarded funds are to be used to pay for law school-related expenses. As a condition of receiving the award, winner agrees to submit a completed W-9. Winner is responsible for all taxes associated with receiving the award.

Please visit us to submit your essay online or to learn more about the contest:

[www.recordgone.com/competition](http://www.recordgone.com/competition)

The Foundation for Continuing Justice (FFCJ) is a privately funded, non-profit law firm dedicated to providing those with a criminal record, the opportunity to re-enter and reintegrate into society as productive individuals. Higbee & Associates provides criminal record expungement and sealing services to more than 19,000 clients through RecordGone.com