

**FINEST LAW SCHOOL WRITERS SELECTED BY THE BURTON AWARDS
PROGRAM**

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New York, New York: The finest law school writers of 2024 have been selected by the Burton Awards, a national 501(c)(3) non-profit program, which is run in association with the Library of Congress, presented by lead sponsor Law360, and co-sponsored by the American Bar Association.

The fifteen winners, who will be presented the “Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Awards” on May 20, 2024, were chosen from the nominations submitted by the nation’s top law schools. William Burton, Founder and Chair of the awards program, said “The recipients are truly exemplary, skillful, and effective writers who are truly exceptional.”

The Academic Board, which reviewed articles published within the past year, was led by Virginia Wise, Chair, formerly of Harvard Law School; Kristen K. Tiscione, Georgetown Law Center; Lindsay Sturges Saffouri, UC Berkeley School of Law; William C. Burton, Founder and Chair of the event; and William Ryan, former member of the Department of Homeland Security and Chair of the White House Plain Language Committee.

The awards program will be celebrating its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary at the Library of Congress. The awards ceremony, featuring CNN news anchor, Chris Wallace, as the Master of Ceremonies, will be followed by a gala reception, dinner, and performance by Tony Award-winning performer, Idina Menzel.

The following law school authors are Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Award Winners:

LAW SCHOOL	AUTHOR	ARTICLE TITLE
BYU Law School	Dan Ankenman	How Unfounded Fear Disenfranchises Voters With Disabilities
Cleveland State University College of Law	Julian Gilbert	In Pursuit of a Modern Standard: The Constitutional Proportions of Collateral Harm from Pursuits and Police High-Speed Driving
Columbia Law School	Jonathan Gliboff	Waterproofing Statehood: Strengthening Claims for

		Continued Statehood for Sinking States Using “E-Governance”
Fordham Law School	Samantha Mitchell	First Amendment Speech Protections in A Post-Dobbs World: Providing Instruction on Instructional Speech
Howard University School of Law	Breanna M. Madison	Whose Child Are You? Protecting Black Children and Families Predisposed to the Harms of the Family Regulation System
Indiana University Maurer School of Law	Anneli E. Kawaoka	Psychedelic Drugs & The Prior Art Problem
Syracuse University College of Law	Emily Pascale	“Deeply Dehumanizing, Degrading and Violating: Deepfake Pornography and the Path to Legal Recourse.”
Temple University Beasley School of Law	Jonathan Fedors	Why Blue Cities Can Challenge Election Subversion under the Elections Clause
Tulane Law School	Cameron Ott	<i>Louisiana Wetlands, LLC v. Energen Res. Corp.</i> : Has the Louisiana First Circuit’s Expansion of the Subsequent Purchaser Doctrine Post- <i>Eagle Pipe</i> Gone Too Far?
University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law	Erica Litle	Transitioning Texas Law into the Modern Era: A Dismantling of the Texas Attorney General’s Opinion on Gender Affirming Healthcare
University of Iowa College of Law	Benjamin Louviere	Time for a Tune Up in America’s Healthcare Market: Securing the Right to Repair for Medical Devices
University of Miami School of Law	Grace Slicklen	For Freedom or Full of It? State Attempts to Silence Social Media
University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School	Lyndsey Ebener	State Takeover in South Carolina: An Inadequate Means to Achieving “Minimally Adequate” Education
Washington University School of Law	Elena LeVan	Fruit of the Poisonous Tree: Potential Eighth Amendment

		Protections for Inmates Subject to Sexual Victimization in the Post- <i>Dobbs</i> World
William & Mary Law School	Daniel Wicklund	The AI Quid Pro Quo Problem: Suggesting a Framework for Patents Involving Artificial Intelligence-Assisted or -Created Inventions

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William C. Burton is a partner at Sagat | Burton LLP, New York. He is the Founder and Chairman of the Burton Awards Program. He is also the Founder and Chair of the Burton Foundation for Legal Achievement, which funds the program. He has served as a New York State Assistant Attorney General and an Assistant New York State Special Prosecutor. For fifteen years, he was the Director of Government Affairs for Continental Insurance, then one of the largest international insurance companies. He is the author of "Burton's Legal Thesaurus," the first and only reference book of its kind written for the legal profession. The book is now in its sixth edition. When it was published forty-one years ago, Mr. Burton was given a prestigious award by the Association of American Publishers which declared the book "One of the most Creative and Innovate Projects of the Year." In 1999, Mr. Burton created the Burton Foundation and established the non-profit Burton Awards Program with the initial goal of encouraging clear and comprehensive legal writing and rewarding other monumental achievements in law. In 2010, Mr. Burton was awarded the prestigious Golden Pen Award by the Legal Writing Institute, the second largest organization of law professors in the United States with 3,000 members. The honor was given for his advocacy and impact on legal writing. Later in 2011, he was presented the "Blackstone Award" by the Friends of the Law Library of Congress for embodying and promoting the best ideals of the venerable institution. He was a Legal Reform Award recipient from the U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform in the fall of 2017. In 2022 he was named to the Hofstra Law School Hall of Fame.