

American Law and Economics Association

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2016 Annual Meeting

Friday and Saturday, May 20-21, 2016

CALL FOR PAPERS

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: *January 15, 2016*

The American Law and Economics Association solicits submissions of papers for our 2016 annual meeting, which will be held Harvard Law School.

To submit a paper for consideration, please click

https://editorialexpress.com/cgi-bin/conference/conference.cgi?action=login&db_name=ALEA2016

Choose the “Submit Papers” link on the left-hand side of the screen.

Here are the ground rules for submission:

- **Number of submissions:** You can submit at most (2) papers.
- **Topic area:** Each paper can be submitted to at most one (1) topic area (areas are listed at the end of this document)
- **Number of Conference presentations:** You can present only one (1) paper at the Conference. If you submit two papers, and both are accepted, you can present one and a co-author must present the other.
- **Membership:** Only complete papers, submitted by ALEA members, will be considered. **Although you can submit a paper without paying ALEA dues, your paper will not be considered until you pay the dues.**
- **Revisions:** Submissions cannot be revised after the submission deadline passes. If a paper is selected for inclusion in the Conference program, the author(s) will have an opportunity to revise it prior to the Conference date.
- **Commitment to attend:** Submission of a paper entails a personal commitment to attend the meeting and present the paper should it be selected for the program (in the absence of extenuating circumstances).

- **Decision letters:** The ALEA Program Committee will send decision letters in mid March 2016.
- **Presentation format:** ALEA continues to experiment with the use of commentators. This year, panelists will choose whether or not they wish to have commentators. If panelists agree to have commentators, the commentators will be drawn from the other presenters on the panel. If panelists choose to have a commentator, each panelist will have 15 minutes for the presentation, 5 minutes for comments, and 10 minutes for audience questions. Without commentators, the presenter will have 20 minutes for presentation followed by 10 minutes of audience questions.

Note on membership: To become an ALEA member or renew your membership for 2016 (\$70; \$30 for students), go to www.amlecon.org. To see if you have paid your dues, please (i) select the “Membership Services” link; (ii) “click here” where indicated to enter the membership registration section; (iii) enter your email address (name is optional); and (iv) click on your user name. You will see your membership status at the bottom of the page (including the “paid through” date). Please do not email ALEA asking if you have paid your dues, unless you really need to do so.

Topic areas: There are 19 topic areas for submission. For each topic area, at least two area organizers (AOs) will provide expertise in evaluating theoretical and empirical contributions. They will review the papers and recommend session panels to the Program Committee, which has ultimate responsibility for constructing the program. All Area Organizers will be able (and encouraged) to recommend to the Program Committee re-assignments of papers they feel would be better considered in another area.

The topic areas are:

Administrative Law; Legislation

Antitrust; Regulated Industries (other than Financial Institutions)

Civil and Criminal Procedure; Litigation; ADR

Commercial Law; Contracts

Corporate Governance: (Securities Law, Corporate Law, Executive Pay, Takeovers, M&A):

Courts; Evidence; Juries; Judges; Judicial Decisionmaking

Criminal Law; Crime; Law Enforcement

Debt and Bankruptcy (e.g., Consumer Bankruptcy, Business Bankruptcy, Debt Markets)

Employment & Labor Law; Family Law; Discrimination

Financial Institutions

Health Law; Health Insurance; Medical Malpractice

Intellectual Property

International Law (Public and Private); International Trade; Immigration; Law & Development

Lawyers; Law Firms; the Legal Profession

Political Economy; Public Choice; Public Law; Constitutional Law; Statutory Interpretation

Private Firms; Theory of the Firm; Nonprofits

Property Law; Environmental Law

Taxation; Public Finance; Transfer Programs; Economic Inequality

Torts; Products Liability; Liability Insurance