



LAW STUDENT ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY, AND RESOURCES PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

DESCRIPTION

The *Law Student Environment, Energy, and Resources Program of the Year Award* will be given in recognition of the best student-organized educational program or public service project of the year focusing on issues in the field of environmental, energy, or natural resources law. The program or project must have occurred during the 2010 calendar year [consideration may be given to allowing projects that occurred in the 2009-2010 or 2010-2011 academic years].


ELIGIBILITY

Nominees are likely to be law student societies, groups, or committees focused on environmental, energy, and natural resources issues. Self-nominations will be accepted. Current Section Council members, officers, and ABA staff of the Section are not eligible for the award.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations must be received on or before **May 16, 2011** by the ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources. The Section's Special Committee on Annual Awards will review the nominations and make recommendations to the Section's Council, which will then select the award recipient(s) no later than **June 10, 2011**. The award will be presented at the ABA Annual Meeting in Toronto, ON, Canada. The recipient(s) must be present to receive the award. The Section reserves the right not to make the award if there are no suitable candidates.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1) **Nomination Form** – provide full name of sponsoring law student organization, address, phone number, e-mail address and URL; provide full name(s) of program or project coordinators, address, phone number, and e-mail address; provide nominator name, address, firm/organization, phone number, and e-mail address
 - 2) **Background Information** – provide name, date, location of program or project, budget overview, program URL, and total participation in the program or project including a description of the type of audience (students, government, academic, etc.)
 - 3) **Nomination Narrative**
 - Describe the program or project and identify the issues in the field of environmental, energy, or natural resources that are the focus;
 - Indicate if this was a new or existing program or project:
 - If new, please describe the issues/situations that prompted the need for the program or project and indicate if the goals the nominee wished to accomplish were met and if the program or project will continue in future years.
 - If existing, please indicate its inception and goals of the program or project. Please also describe if and how this program or project differed from previous years and what, if any, new and innovative ideas were implemented this year.
 - How did the nominee's program or project contribute to a heightened awareness of environment, energy, or natural resources?
 - Did the nominee's program enhance or contribute to the goal of sustainability?
 - What is the likelihood that the program or project will continue into the future and/or contribute to lasting institutional change?
 - What was the overall participation, reaction and commitment of attendees to this program or project?
 - Describe the short and long-term benefits that this program or project provided to the attendees.
 - 4) **Supporting Material** – supporting documents, flyers, program brochures, etc. from the program or project
 - 5) **Letters of Support** – letters of support from other individuals who attended the program or project, supervised the program or project, or can attest personally to the success of the program or project by which the candidate is nominated; and a summary of attendee evaluations if available, may be included
 - 6) **Nominator Statement** – the nominator also must explain his or her familiarity with the nominee and the program or project in question
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PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES:

The deadline date for nominations is **May 16, 2011**. If possible, the Section prefers to accept nominations submitted electronically. Please e-mail your completed nominations, including the nomination form and accompanying materials to Dana Jonusaitis, JonusaiD@staff.abanet.org. If submitting hard copies, send the original and one copy. Please use paper clips or binder clips (no staples or binding).

MAIL NOMINATION PACKAGES TO:

ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources
Law Student Environment, Energy, and Resources Program of the Year Award
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Please address any questions to Dana Jonusaitis, Section Director, at (312)988-5602 or JonusaiD@staff.abanet.org.

Nomination forms are available on the Section Web site. Please visit <http://www.abanet.org/envIRON/sectaward/>

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