

# HERMAN KOGAN MEDIA AWARDS

**Deadline: Monday, March 27, 2017**

Named in honor of one of Chicago's most treasured journalists, The Chicago Bar Association Herman Kogan Media Awards were conceived to honor local journalists and to celebrate the career of Herman Kogan, a true friend of The Chicago Bar Association.

In addition to receiving the prestigious Herman Kogan Media Award, a \$1,000 educational scholarship donation is made to the journalism or communications department of the college or university of choice for each Herman Kogan Award winner. Over the past 27 years, more than \$50,000 in scholarship money has been distributed to more than 20 colleges and universities. At the discretion of the Herman Kogan Awards Judging Panel, a meritorious achievement award may be made to truly exceptional "runner-up" entries.

## Guidelines

### Eligibility

Entries to The Chicago Bar Association Herman Kogan Media Awards Competition must relate to the law, the legal system or the work of lawyers, judges, governmental agencies or civic groups concerned with the administration of justice. The context of entries may be current, historical, objective or analytical in nature.

The competition is divided into four awards categories: Print, Broadcast, Legal Beat Reporting and Online. Journalists

and media organizations throughout the greater Chicagoland metropolitan area may submit original work published or broadcast from January 1 through December 31, 2016. Pieces by national news organizations that focus on the Chicago area may also be submitted.

Bar Association and law school publications (i.e., Law Reviews) are not eligible.

Kogan submissions must be post-marked by **March 27, 2017**.

### Entry Rules

Each individual journalist may submit a total of two (2) entries which may fall into one or more categories. All entries must be accompanied by a separate entry form and supporting materials, and must

comply with the following submission guidelines for the award category for which they are being considered. Entrants may duplicate the entry form as needed.

# Categories

## Broadcast

### Print

#### Print - Legal Beat Reporting

This category is for entries by reporters who regularly cover courts, court cases, law firms and the practice of law. Entries may be from legal trade publications or from general publications such as newspapers and magazines. Entries may be single stories, series, or columns.

Entries in this category must include:

- 1 One tear sheet of the entry. Each submission must clearly show the name of the publication and date it was printed and can be submitted electronically in pdf form.
- 2 A brief summary (50-75 words) describing any special circumstances about the entry and its impact if any on the community.

#### Print - Features and Series

This category is for feature articles and series appearing in newspapers and magazines.

Entries in this category must include:

- 1 One tear sheet of the entry. Each submission must clearly show the name of the publication and date it was printed and can be submitted electronically in pdf form.
- 2 A brief summary (50-75 words) describing any circumstances surrounding the development of the entry and its impact on the community. Entrants are also encouraged to document community impact by providing news clips or information on changes in legislation or related public efforts.

This category includes law-related news stories, features, specials or series; documentaries, public service or educational programs broadcast on media outlets. Network news specials or syndicated programs produced outside of the greater Chicagoland metropolitan area are eligible if the focus is on the Chicago area. Entries in the broadcast category must include:

- 1 A 50-75 word summary which explains how the concept originated, any significant research or investigative efforts and the overall theme of the views presented in the work.
- 2 Television entries may be submitted on DVD.
- 3 Radio entries may be submitted on CD.
- 4 Two (2) individual recordings must be provided for each entry.

### Online

This category includes law-related articles covering a single news event, a feature article focusing on a single law-related theme or a series of related articles focusing on a single news event or theme.

- 1 Submissions must have been written for an online publication, blog or website. Each submission must clearly show the name of the publication or host site and date it was posted. It can be submitted electronically or as a print out.
- 2 Entry must include a brief summary (50-75 words) describing any special circumstances surrounding the development of the entry and its impact on the community. Entrants are also encouraged to document community impact by providing news clips or information on changes in legislation or related public efforts.

# Entry Form

## Category

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Print - Legal Beat Reporting

Broadcast

Print - Features and Series

Online

## Entry Information

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Title/Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Aired/Printed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## Key Creative Contributors

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## Organization Chief Executive Officer

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address All Entries To:

The Chicago Bar Association  
Herman Kogan Media Awards Competition  
321 South Plymouth Court  
Chicago, IL 60604  
(312) 554-2013

Or E-mail to [khighley@chicagobar.org](mailto:khighley@chicagobar.org)

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## Narrative Summary

**Please type. Additional materials may be attached. Refer to Entry Rules for length of narrative summary.**

### Prizes and Awards Presentations

The Chicago Bar Association will fund a \$1,000 scholarship for the study of journalism at a college or university designated by the top award winner in each category. The scholarship recipients will be chosen by appropriate school officials at each institution. In addition, the winners' names will be etched into a commemorative plaque in The CBA lobby and a winners' photo will run in The CBA Record magazine which is distributed to all 22,000 CBA members.

Awards will be given to the winning journalists and media organizations at a luncheon to be held in May. For ticket information, please call The Chicago Bar Association at (312) 554-2013.

*Please keep a copy of your entries and supporting materials. Entries become property of The Chicago Bar Association and cannot be returned. Submit a separate narrative summary for each entry.*