THE MORRIS L. COHEN STUDENT ESSAY COMPETITION

The Legal History and Rare Books Section (LH&RB) of the American Association of Law Libraries, in cooperation with The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd. announces the 14th annual Morris L. Cohen Student Essay Competition.

The competition is named in honor of Morris L. Cohen, late Professor Emeritus of Law at Yale Law School. Professor Cohen was a leading scholar in the fields of legal research, rare law books, and historical bibliography.

The purpose of the competition is to encourage scholarship in the areas of legal history, rare law books, and legal archives, and to acquaint students with the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) and law librarianship.

ELIGIBILITY

• Students currently enrolled in accredited graduate programs in library science, law, history, or related fields
• Full- and part-time students are eligible
• Past winners are not eligible, though other past contestants are welcome

REQUIREMENTS

• Essay may be on any topic related to legal history, rare law books, or legal archives
• Only one submission per student
• Entry form and detailed instructions at: https://www.aallnet.org/lhrbsis/awards-grants/
• Deadline: Entries must be submitted by 11:59 p.m., May 15, 2024 (EDT) to be considered.

AWARDS

• The winner will receive a $1000.00 prize from The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd. and present the winning essay via an LH&RB-sponsored webinar
• The winner and runner-up will have the opportunity to publish their essays in LH&RB’s online scholarly journal Unbound: A review of Legal History and Rare Books.

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