I. INTRODUCTION

The Washington Journal of Law, Technology & Arts (WJLTA) is seeking additional students that are interested in joining a UW Law journal. Applicants will be required to submit a paper written about the technology or arts fields, as well as an up-to-date resume. We will be considering papers submitted by second-year law students and IP LLMs.

Joining WJLTA is a rewarding experience that will allow you to write meaningful student comments and connect with practitioners throughout Seattle. The mission of the WJLTA is simple: write concise and relevant articles for the legal practitioner within the technology and arts fields. WJLTA members work with an external board which serves as a representative sample of our audience and helps our members find developing topics. WJLTA's 2015-2016 External Board consists of:

**Copyright/Trademark:**
Bob Cumbow, Graham & Dunn  
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Ashley Long, Carney Badley Spellman

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Kaustav M. Das, Perkins Coie  
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**Licensing:**
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Robert Gomulkiewicz, University of Washington School of Law  
Lonnie Rosewald, Intellectual Ventures

**E-Commerce:**
Tim Lee, Fenwick & West  
Sean O'Connor, University of Washington School of Law

**Tech Policy:**
Jen Chiang, Amazon.com  
Gregory McNeil, Pepperdine School of Law

**Corporate Law:**
Trent Dykes, DLA Piper  
Jennifer Fan, University of Washington School of Law  
Chris Igielski, The W Fund

II. MEMBER REQUIREMENTS

As a WJLTA member, each third-year student must spend a minimum of 90 hours on WJLTA editing activities. Most of these activities consist of editing student and professional articles, however, some additional administrative responsibilities may also be required. Third-year members may earn academic credits (registered as E600) for editorial work at the rate of one credit per thirty hours of work.
completed within a single quarter. Although most members agree that the experience is well worth the effort, the workload is substantial and students should consider this when applying.

III. ELIGIBILITY

All second-year law students and IP LLM students are eligible to participate in this competition. However, current members of the Washington International Law Journal, the Washington Journal of Environmental Law & Policy, and the Washington Law Review, or students who received and declined offers from any of the four University of Washington School of Law Journals are not eligible.

IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSIONS

Deadline:
Competition materials must be submitted electronically to WJLTA at wjlta@uw.edu by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, September 11, 2015. Submissions received after this deadline will not be considered.

Submission Materials and Format:

1. Paper: The paper should be about a topic within the technology or arts fields and must contain solid legal analysis that is suitable for publication. We encourage applicants to look at previously published WJLTA articles to get a sense of suitable topics. The paper should be between 3-4 single-spaced pages and must be written exclusively by the applicant.

2. Cover Letter: A one-page document that includes your name, telephone number and specific interest in the WJLTA.

3. Resume: A one page document that includes background and relevant experience

V. REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSIONS

The Selection Committee will evaluate each paper according to the following criteria:

1. Is the paper interesting: The paper should analyze a legal issue that engages the attention of the reader and is worthy of resolution.

2. Is the paper original: The paper should add to existing legal scholarship in its choice of subject matter, its approach to legal analysis, and its conclusion. A paper is less likely to be original when it covers an issue that has been or is likely to be the subject of many law review articles.

3. Is the paper’s subject matter timely: The paper should analyze an issue of current interest in one of the following WJLTA categories: copyright/trademark, patents/trade secrets, licensing, e-commerce, tech policy, or corporate law.

4. Is the paper concise: The paper should adequately analyze and resolve the issue it presents concisely in 3-4 pages single-spaced.
Content and Format
Your paper should be well-written, complete, and formatted as described below. The Selection Committee will evaluate content and format according to the following criteria:

1. Solid Legal Analysis:
A paper should have in-depth legal analysis that goes beyond a summary of existing law. A successful paper does more than assert that a statute, decision, or line of cases is right or wrong. Good analysis provides legal and policy reasons for its conclusions and, where appropriate, offers a solution. For example, if your paper criticizes a test adopted by a court, then you may propose a new test or a new framework for analysis. If your paper analyzes a split among circuits on an issue, then you might present legal and policy reasons supporting your argument in favor of one line of decisions over another. These examples are not intended to be an exhaustive list; we encourage creative approaches to analyzing the law. Unsupported assertions are not acceptable as analysis. Every factual assertion you make should have authority. Please cite to authority in footnotes.

2. Well-Organized:
Papers should contain the following separate and mutually exclusive sections: (1) introduction, (2) argument, and (3) conclusion. The paper should be structured so that it remains focused on its conclusion and so that the analysis leads the reader logically and inevitably to that conclusion. Every proposition in the paper should be relevant to your argument.

3. Format:
Text must be single-spaced and in 12-point font. Footnotes must be single-spaced and in 10-point font. Citations should follow the Bluebook (19th ed. 2010).

VI. SELECTION

Selection Committee
A committee of seven third-year members of WJLTA will evaluate each paper to determine whether it meets the requirements described above.

Membership Invitation
WJLTA may select as many as eight (8) second-year students. The number of invitations will be determined by the quality of the papers submitted. The WJLTA will make every effort to inform applicants of the results of the selection process by October 21, 2015.

VII. CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Vijay Kumar (vijayk@uw.edu).