October 25, 2019

Dear colleague,

The Aviation Law Section of the State Bar of Texas is pleased to announce the launch of the 2020 Aviation Section Scholarship. Every year, the Section awards a $1,000.00 scholarship to a student who has an interest in aviation law. All applicants will become members of the Aviation Law Section for one year at no cost to the applicant.

Students who apply must be in good standing at their law school, join the Aviation Law Section of the State Bar of Texas (we will enroll them), and express a desire to practice in aviation law. Each student will submit a brief discussing a recent aviation case decision. The top five briefs will be posted on the Section’s website with credit to the authors.

The winning brief will be announced by May 1, 2020. The scholarship recipient, along with a law-school professor of the recipient’s choosing, is invited to attend our Section Meeting to receive the scholarship and give a brief presentation on the case he or she analyzed, and is invited to attend dinner the night before with members and friends of the Section Council. The Section Meeting and CLE presentation will be held during the State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting at the Hilton Anatole in Dallas, Texas on June 25, 2020. Airfare, hotel, and dinner for the recipient and a professor will be paid for by the Aviation Law Section.

We invite you to share this information and the application with your students and ask that you encourage your students to apply. We look forward to this year’s applications!

Regards,

Paula Knippa, Treasurer
Morgan Schweinzger, Member
Application Timeline:

- April 1, 2020 – Submissions due
- May 1, 2020 – Selection of top three applicant submissions and winner
- June 25, 2020 – Presentation of scholarship

Application Guidelines:

- The applicant must be a law student in good standing with his or her school who has an interest in practicing aviation law.
- The applicant must be a member of the State Bar of Texas Aviation Law Section, or must fill out the attached application to be automatically enrolled for free.
- The applicant will submit a brief of 500 words or less covering an aviation case opinion that was decided in 2019 or 2020.
- The brief must be submitted in PDF form via email to Paula Knippa (paula@knippalaw.com) and Morgan Schweinzger (mschweinzger@winstead.com) by April 1, 2020.
- Applications will be judged on the following criteria:
  - Technical writing skill, including compliance with the BlueBook and GreenBook;
  - Flow of narrative;
  - Applicability of case selected to aviation law as a whole; and/or
  - Interest in aviation law.

For information about the Aviation Law Section, please visit our website: www.aviationlawtx.com.

For information about the State Bar Annual Meeting, please visit the information page here: https://www.texasbar.com/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Annual_Meeting_Home&Template=/CM/HTMLDisplay.cfm&ContentID=40322.
Aviation Section Scholarship Application

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Law School:

Anticipated Graduation Date:

Please include proof of good standing in the form of unofficial transcripts and an email or mailed letter directly from a dean at your law school stating you are in good standing.

If selected, would you be able to attend the dinner and Meeting on June 25-26 in Dallas?

Please briefly explain your interest in aviation law (response must fit on this page):