

Animal Law Review

at Lewis & Clark Law School

WHAT IS ANIMAL LAW REVIEW?

Animal Law Review (*Animal Law*) is a student-run law review at Lewis & Clark Law School in Portland, Oregon. It was the nation's first legal journal devoted to animal law issues, publishing its first volume in 1995, and remains the leading journal in its field.

Animal Law often features contributions from noted legal scholars such as Laurence H. Tribe and Cass R. Sunstein, from internationally recognized experts such as Jane Goodall, and from public figures such as Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt. Our objective is to educate readers about all sides of current animal-related legal issues.

Each volume of *Animal Law* includes two issues: a fall/winter issue (published in December) and a spring/summer issue (published in May).

OUR RECENTLY PUBLISHED ISSUE: VOLUME 17, ISSUE 2

Ed Newcomer, Marie Palladini & Leah Jones

The Endangered Species Act v. the United States Department of Justice: How the Department of Justice Derailed Criminal Prosecutions under the Endangered Species Act

Katie Sykes

Human Drama, Animal Trials: What the Medieval Animal Trials Can Teach Us about Justice for Animals

Debra L. Muller-Harris

Animal Violence Court: A Therapeutic Jurisprudence-Based Problem-Solving Court for the Adjudication of Animal Cruelty Cases Involving Juvenile Offenders and Animal Hoarders

Aurora Paulsen

Welfare Improvements for Organic Animals: Closing Loopholes in the Regulation of Organic Animal Husbandry

Sharon L. Nelson

The Connection between Animal Abuse and Family Violence: A Selected Annotated Bibliography

Jennifer O'Brien, Legislative Review Editor; Jenny Keatinge & Richard Myers, Authors
2010 Legislative Review

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES WITH ANIMAL LAW REVIEW

Source Checkers (first year students) are assigned sections of each article and are responsible for checking the accuracy and format of citations, as well as for making other form and style suggestions. Source checkers are volunteers; they do not earn credit for their work.

Associate Editors (second and third year students) are the lead editors for one article in one semester and serve the same roles as source checkers in the other semester. Their responsibilities include locating exotic sources and reviewing the edits made by source checkers. In addition, two Associate Editors are selected each year to research and write the annual legislative review, which covers federal and state legislation. Associate Editors earn two credits per year for their work.

Editorial Board members (second and third year students) have varying responsibilities. The Editor in Chief has final authority and responsibility for *Animal Law*. The Managing Editors assist the Editor in Chief and handle day-to-day activities, such as overseeing the publication process, enforcing deadlines, and handling staff issues. The Articles Editors solicit articles, review submissions, and confer with each other and the Editor in Chief to make publication offers and rejections. The Form and Style Editors ensure that articles meet proper citation, grammar, and usage standards, and assist with managing source checkers. The Legislative Review Editor is responsible for the annual update on federal and state legislation and helps run the write-on competition along with the Notes and Comments Editor. The Notes and Comments Editor oversees the process of developing student work for publication, including establishing the required deadlines and reviewing papers submitted by *Animal Law* members. He or she also helps run the write-on competition. The Editor in Chief earns six credits for the year. Other Editorial Board members earn four credits if they are a third or fourth year student, or two credits if they are a second year student.

HOW TO JOIN THE ANIMAL LAW REVIEW STAFF

Grading On: Each year, *Animal Law*, *Environmental Law*, and *Lewis & Clark Law Review* invite students who finish their first year in the top 10–15% of their class to join a law review of their choice as Associate Editors.

Writing On: A number of students are invited to join as Associate Editors each year based on their performance in a summer writing competition held by the three law reviews. Students' preferences as to which law review they would like to join are considered but not guaranteed.

Volunteer Source Checking: *Animal Law* offers a unique experience by allowing students to join and help source check articles in their first year of law school. This is a great opportunity for first year students to gain legal research and citation experience. Towards the end of the fall semester, *Animal Law* holds a source checking and editing competition to determine who will be invited to work on the law review during the spring semester on a volunteer (not for credit) basis. A number of these students will be invited to join the staff as Associate Editors the next year due to their outstanding performance as source checkers.

HOW TO JOIN THE ANIMAL LAW REVIEW EDITORIAL BOARD

During the spring semester, elections are held for positions on the *Animal Law* Editorial Board. All current members, including first year volunteer source checkers, are encouraged to submit applications. The outgoing Editorial Board then meets to select the Editorial Board for the following year.

QUESTIONS?

Please do not hesitate to e-mail use at animalaw@lclark.edu if you have any questions.