

SOUTH FLORIDA PARALEGAL ASSOCIATION'S  
2018 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

The South Florida Paralegal Association (SFPA) is accepting entries for its annual student scholarship: First prize is \$1,000.00 and second prize is \$500.00. You must be currently enrolled in a 2018/2019 Paralegal/Legal Studies Program to participate. **Award checks will be made payable to your school for your benefit.** Each winner will also receive a free, one-year SFPA student membership plus a special invitation to our holiday party to be personally presented with the award.

**The deadline for submission is Thursday, December 6, 2018 by midnight (EST).** Submit via email to [admin@sfpa.info](mailto:admin@sfpa.info). You should receive a confirmation email within 24 hours. Please refer to "General Instructions" for specific details. No access to Westlaw or Lexis required. All necessary information is available online.

General Instructions

- Entry should not be longer than three pages maximum. Please, no handwritten submissions.
- **You must submit your entry as an attachment to an email with subject line: SFPA 2018 Scholarship Entry.** Email to: [Admin@sfpa.info](mailto:Admin@sfpa.info)
- The attachment must not contain any personal identifying information; it must simply be your entry. On your essay, refer to yourself as Paralegal or some generic variation thereof.
- In the body of the email and not on your attached entry, please be sure to include the following:
  1. Your full name, mailing address, phone number, and email address;
  2. Name of program and school of enrollment; and
  3. Name of program director or your advisor with best contact phone number and email address.
- Please save the date of Wednesday, December 12. If you win, we ask that you attend our Holiday Party to be held at Ball & Chain in Little Havana where we will present you the award (your presence is not required to win).

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The Florida Courts recently rules of the procedural rules governing expert witnesses and opinions. Please read *Delisle v. Crane* (Fla. 2018). Research the "Frye Standard" and the "Daubert Standard". And write an essay answering the following points:

- 1) Please give a brief description of the Daubert Standard and make sure to cite the Supreme Court case,
- 2) Please give a brief description of the Frye Standard and make sure to cite the Supreme Court Case,
- 3) Which standard are the Federal Courts using?
- 4) Which standard will Florida Courts most likely be using?
- 5) Cite the section of the Florida Constitution that gives the judiciary, and not the legislature, the rule-making power to set the procedural rules of evidence.

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Additional Information

- You should cite Florida authorities in accordance with Fla. R. App. P. 9.800. [Look it up. If you are unaware of this rule, you just learned something useful.]
- There are many styles for a memo. You could use any format as long as it reflects an organized format.

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*Please contact Arturo Rodriguez, CP, at 305-579-7859 or [ARodriguez@sfpa.info](mailto:ARodriguez@sfpa.info) with any questions*