

The purpose of the Insolvency Institute of Canada (IIC) Awards Program is to stimulate interest among law students in the research and development of papers based on corporate insolvency and restructuring topics and to recognize outstanding achievement in this endeavour.

Insolvency Institute of Canada (IIC)

The IIC is Canada's premier private sector insolvency organization. It is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of excellence and thought leadership in commercial insolvency and restructuring policy and practice in Canada. Members of the IIC are drawn from the most senior and experienced members of the insolvency community in Canada. Membership is limited to 135 insolvency practitioners (trustees, lawyers and restructuring professionals) who are joined by representatives of regulatory and compensation bodies, major financial institutions and prominent members of the academic community.

IIC Law Student Writing Awards Program

This is the eighth year of the IIC Law Student Writing Awards Program which is designed to support and reward academic scholarship in the area of corporate insolvency and reorganizations. This program gives undergraduate students the opportunity to research insolvency issues and bring their proposals for reform to the attention of the business and legal community which they are about to enter.

The Socio-Economic Importance of Insolvency Laws

Insolvency situations usually have devastating effects for everyone impacted, the consumer or corporate debtor, communities, unpaid suppliers, employees and shareholders. Insolvency laws fundamentally contribute to the effective and efficient functioning of the market place. Moreover, with an increased focus on global competitiveness, Canada's insolvency laws must be seen to be effective and fair. Proposed pension reform in an insolvency context is an example of how insolvency laws continue to be examined to promote fairness and effectiveness.

2011 Award Winners

At the 2011 Conference in St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador, Mr. David Mann, Chair of the IIC Law Student Writing Award Program presented Mr. Jesse Mighton, first place winner in 2011, with his prize of \$5,000. Mr. Mighton was joined at the conference by his faculty sponsor, Professor Thomas Telfer from the Faculty of Law, University of Western Ontario.

The second place prize of \$3,000 was awarded to Mr. Victor Barta from the Faculty of Law at the University of British Columbia.

The third place prize of \$1,500 was awarded to Mr. Michael Byers, also from the Faculty of Law at the University of British Columbia.

2012 Awards

First, second and third prizes of \$5,000, \$3,000 and \$1,500 will be awarded. The prize for the first place winner will be presented at the IIC's annual conference September 20 - 23, 2012 in Whistler, British Columbia. Travel costs of the first place winner and the faculty sponsor to attend IIC's annual conference will be reimbursed by the IIC. If a co-authored paper is judged a winner, the division of the prize and the reimbursed travel costs for the first place winner, will be entirely at the discretion of the winners.

Eligibility

- The competition is open to law students in full-time undergraduate law programs at Canadian universities. Entries may be submitted in English or French.
- Each student is limited to one entry. There is no limit to the number of entries that may be submitted from one university, but each paper must bear the endorsement of a law faculty member.
- Papers must be no longer than 3,000 words (exclusive of footnotes) and must be typed. Papers may be jointly written.
- Papers must be submitted in hard copy and electronically to the Insolvency Institute of Canada office.
- The paper must be focused on restructuring in an insolvency context with sample subject categories as follows: The Effects of the Recent Amendments to the BIA and the CCAA, Reorganization of Insolvent Businesses under the CCAA and/or BIA, International Insolvencies, Status, Rights and Duties of Secured Creditors, Employment and Labour Issues, Directors' and Officers' Liability, DIP Financing, Landlord/Tenant Considerations, Pension Reform and Reorganization of Share-holders' Equity, Other Topical Issues in Insolvency.

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I endorse the submission of this paper to the IIC Law Student Writing Awards Program and confirm that the author is a full-time undergraduate law student at the university noted above.

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SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

- **Entries must be submitted by no later than May 14, 2012.**
- All entries will become the property of IIC and may be further published or used in any manner whatsoever as the IIC may see fit. Each entrant waives all proprietary rights he or she may have in and to the paper submitted.

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