



LILY THOMAS AND SAJU JAKOB

ADVOCATES AND SOLICITORS

ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION

ABOUT

Lily Thomas, a name that can't be forgotten, an inventor of a new idea, called Public Interest Litigation, has dedicated her entire life to convert our country into a better place to live in. With Constitution as her Bible, she has sailed through the tides of her profession as a lawyer to invent new ideas so as to revamp the administration of our country in parity with the vision of Constitutional makers. Adv. Saju Jakob, being the legacy holder of Adv. Lily Thomas, along with his colleagues, has been stern to carry forward her vision and mission to create constitutional awareness of equality and fraternity in the society.

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THE COMPETITION

"We are pleased to announce the Lily Thomas Memorial Lecture Series 2.0."

With the extraordinary success of Lily Thomas Memorial Lecture 1.0 and Our Essay Writing Competition "Lawyers as Inventors", we are pleased to announce the topic for this year's Essay Writing Competition, as below:

"Ambit and scope of accountability/liability of a public officer, in India, in the event of failure to perform public duties or to protect the fundamental rights while discharging public duties".

The aim of the competition is to promote lawyers as the inventors of social transformation, which always requires a shift in the collective consciousness of society and hence new inventions in the field of law through lawyers. It is open to all law students, advocates, legal professionals, journalists and academicians and to all those who are interested from other related fields.



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THEME

The theme of the article writing competition to be held as part of the second edition of the Memorial Lecture Series in loving memory of Adv. Lily Thomas, is

"Ambit and scope of accountability/liability of a public officer, in India, in the event of failure to perform public duties or to protect The Fundamental Rights while discharging public duties."

Article 34 of the German Constitution provides for liability for violation of official duty. Under the provision, if any person, in the exercise of a public office entrusted to him, violates his official duty towards a third party, liability shall rest principally with the state or public body that employs him.

In the event of intentional wrongdoing or gross negligence, the right of recourse against the individual officer shall be preserved. The ordinary courts should not be closed to claims for compensation or indemnity. Many other countries have guaranteed such rights in their Constitutions.

The essay writing competition invites/calls for articles on the important subject of accountability of offices holding Public Officers, especially Civil Servants, Central/State Governments, PSU's, Nationalized Banks, and other officers who use public money for the public cause.

Our competition under the head "Lawyers as Inventors" is a way of intriguing the creativity and innovation of budding lawyers.

We put our belief in you to put life into living.



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PRIZES

Winner: Rs. 10,000/- along with a Certificate of Appreciation.

First Runner-up : Rs. 5,000/- along with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Second Runner-up : Rs. 3,000/- along with a Certificate of Appreciation.

The next seven participants will each receive Rs. 1,000/- and a Certificate of Appreciation.

The Articles of the Top Three candidates will be published on our official website.

The Top Three participants will be given a two-minute opportunity to present their papers in the Memorial Lecture

Active Participants who attend the Memorial Lecture on December 12th, 2021 at 16:15 Hrs. will be awarded a Certificate of Participation

GUIDELINES

Word Limit: 1600-1800 words (excluding footnotes and abstract).

No Co-authorship is allowed.

Multiple entries for the same authors are not allowed.

Individual Attachments: Name; contact details; current academic status (if applicable);

Year, University/College, etc. undertaking to guarantee originality.

Citation Style: 19th Bluebook edition.

The Font shall be Times New Roman, the font size- 12 and the line spacing is 1.5.



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SUBMISSION

All the interested participants should send their articles along with abstracts by 04th December, 2021 with the subject "Lawyers as Inventors". Essays should be sent to our office via email at essays@lilythomas.org.

Participants shall send their personal details/contact details. Any late submission will not be considered.

Results will be announced on 12th December, 2021 in the Memorial Lecture, the details of which will be uploaded later/soon.

For any further queries, please write to office@lilythomas.org or you can contact at 9667661678.

The Registration to the Competition is free and open to all.

IMPORTANT DATES

Last Date of Submission: 04th December, 2021 by 23:45 hrs.

Memorial Lecture: 12th December, 2021 at 16:15 hrs.

Result Declaration: 12th December, 2021.