

# Call for Papers

*California Western Law Review & International Law Journal Symposium Issue*

**Wasted:** The Global Effects of Plastic Waste in a Consumer Society

**Abstracts due: November 17, 2019**

## Introduction

The *California Western Law Review* and *International Law Journal* seek articles on the topic of Global Effects of Plastic Waste in a Consumer Society for the symposium issue of the journals, to be published in Fall 2020.

## Description

Our modern society's growing dependence on convenience products like single-use plastic and the habitual waste in the U.S. and all over the globe increases real problems in our environment at an alarming rate. Many jurisdictions aim to regulate this type of waste but what exactly is the best solution for our environment and our citizens? What exactly are the impacts of plastic waste and the issues that arise from this dependence on one-time use items that can be so easily discarded? And lastly, what exactly can the law do to provide a solution?

This symposium will look at the environmental impacts of single-use plastic waste and think critically about the current and potential regulations which aim to both solve and curb the harmful effects of this waste. Not only will the symposium look at the environmental issues, but also the business law and civil rights issues implicated by these regulations. The symposium will identify potential issues, critically look at the long-term effects, and propose novel approaches to understanding and addressing these issues both domestically and abroad.



# Call for Abstracts

The Law Review Symposium Committee invites those interested in participating in the symposium to submit a 300 to 500-word abstract that introduces an article (hereinafter “manuscript”) related to the topic described above to be published in the symposium issue of the *California Western Law Review* or *International Law Journal*.

Each abstract should include:

- The title of the submitted manuscript;
- A 300 to 500-word abstract that discusses the proposed symposium topic and outlines the contents of the paper;
- The name and email address of the author;
- The curriculum vitae of the author; and
- Whether the author is interested in participating as a speaker in the Symposium Conference (see below).

Abstracts are due by **November 17, 2019** and should be submitted to lawreview@cwsu.edu with “Plastic Regulations Symposium Issue” in the subject line. The Symposium Committee will notify authors whether their abstract has been selected by **November 27, 2019**.

## Manuscript Requirements

If selected, the **final draft** of the manuscript is due by **May 4, 2020**, and must be between 15,000 and 30,000 words, which is approximately 30-60 single-spaced pages. Authors’ manuscripts must meet the following requirements:

- **Final** manuscript must be submitted by **May 4, 2020**, in Word format with at least one-inch margins;
- Citations must be contained in footnotes and conform to *The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation* (Twentieth Edition);
- Manuscripts should be timely and provide an original, in-depth analysis of the topic above; and
- The title page should include the author’s full name, his or her academic/professional affiliations, and complete contact information where correspondence can be made.



### Important Dates

**Abstracts Due: November 17, 2019**

**Selection Decisions: November 27, 2019**

**Symposium Conference: March 14, 2020**

**Final Drafts (if selected) Due: May 4, 2020**

## Symposium Conference

All authors of manuscripts selected for publication in the symposium issue will be invited to participate in a symposium conference to discuss their manuscript on **March 14, 2020**, at the California Western School of Law campus in San Diego, California.