

UWI St. Augustine Law Journal (UWISALJ) Faculty of Law, UWI, St. Augustine Campus

CALL FOR PAPERS

Submission Guidelines

About The Law Journal

The UWI St. Augustine Law Journal (UWISALJ) is a law review that focusses on legal scholarship which is of relevance to the legal community in Trinidad and Tobago, the wider Commonwealth Caribbean and beyond. The UWISALJ will be an avenue for the exposure of critical legal writing that can add value to the legal profession in practice, academia, civil society and legal education. All submissions are assessed by a qualified Editorial Committee comprising Judges, practitioners and academics. The UWISALJ is not limited to any specific area of law and all submissions are welcomed from authors in areas of both procedural and substantive law.

Frequency of Publication

There will be one volume published every year. This will be cited as 202X UWISALJ. The volume is dependent on submissions in any given year. There may also be additional special volumes as determined by the Editorial Committee. Submissions are welcomed on a rolling basis.

Type and Length of Submissions

- (1) Academic Articles
 - (a) Long 5000 -10000
 - (b) Short under 5000
- (2) Practical/Procedural Articles
 - (a) Long 3000-5000
 - (b) Short under 3000
- (3) **Judicial Contributions**: Considered by the Editorial Committee based on submission
- (4) Case Notes: Between 2000 and 3000 words
- (5) **Book Reviews**: Between 1500 and 2000 words
- (6) Speeches (By invitation): Considered by the Editorial Committee based on submission
- (7) Review/Digest Contributions: Considered by the Editorial Committee based on submission
- (8) **Key Regional Legal Developments**: Such as short Case Briefs (between 1000 and 2000 words)
- (9) Extended Articles: Between 15000 and 20000 words for special edition volumes only

Submissions Guidelines

All submissions must, in one document, include:

- (1) A succinct Heading/Name of Submission;
- (2) Author's Name;
- (3) An abstract (no more than 300 words);
- (4) A minimum of 3 maximum of 7 keywords;
- (5) The article including word count;
- (6) Appendices/Tables.

The complete submission, inclusive of all items 1-6 above, must be emailed to the following email address: law@sta.uwi.edu with the subject line of the email containing only the following words: "Submission for Publication" and must be submitted on or before 31 October 2023.

Formatting

All papers must be submitted in Word format and must be double-spaced using Times New Roman font style in font size 12.

Citation Style

Oxford Standard Citation of Legal Authorities (OSCOLA). The 4th Edition of this Guide can be found at https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/sites/files/oxlaw/oscola 4th edn hart 2012.pdf

Estimated Timeline for Decision

Based on the number of submissions for a particular volume, decisions on submissions will be communicated to authors in a timely manner. The time for feedback may be shorter or longer depending on the workload of the Editorial Committee and is to be used as an estimate only.

Process for Review

There will be a two-tiered editorial process. The Editorial Board will review all submissions for general compliance and appropriateness. The submissions which are selected by the Board will be submitted for blind peer reviews.

Restriction on Use of Accepted Pieces

Any piece which is accepted for publication must not be submitted to any other journal, nor can the version published by UWISALJ be published by the author.

Mode of Publication

The UWISALJ will be an open access electronic publication. There may be a possibility of a physical journal depending on demand.