**The Twenty-Fourth Annual (2023)  
Andrew P. Vance Memorial Writing Competition**

**Sponsored by The Customs and International Trade Bar Association**

**The Competition**

The [Customs and International Trade Bar Association](https://citba.org/) (CITBA) is sponsoring this Writing Competition to encourage law students who are interested in careers in customs and international trade law.

For any questions related to the competition, please email the faculty advisor, [Professor Kathleen Claussen](https://www.law.georgetown.edu/faculty/kathleen-claussen/) at *kathleen.claussen@georgetown.edu*

**Prizes**

Two prizes will be awarded by CITBA:

* $1,000 First Prize
* $500 Second Prize

**Who is Eligible**

Entrants must be enrolled in a J.D. or L.L.M. program at any of U.S. law school during the 2022-23 school year.

**Topics**

An in-depth analysis of a current issue relevant to customs and international trade law. [See a list of past winners](https://citba.org/content.asp?contentid=158) and topics.

**Submission Requirements**

* Submissions should be typewritten, double-spaced on 8 ½ x 11-inch paper. The paper shall not exceed 40 pages in length, including footnotes. Papers must include footnotes, not endnotes. Papers should be in 12pt. Times New Roman font and have one-inch margins (right, left, top, and bottom). **Noncompliance with these requirements may affect evaluation or result in disqualification**.
* Please include the following on the cover sheet of your paper:
* Full name, address and telephone number
* Law school and year
* Date of submission of paper
* Do not include any identifying information in the text of the paper itself.
* Papers must be electronically submitted to the following email address: citbavancesubmissions2023@gmail.com
* The final date for submission is **June 12, 2023**

**About the Sponsor**

The [Customs and International Trade Bar Association](https://citba.org/) is the only national bar association dedicated to representing the interests and concerns of attorneys engaged in the practice of customs and international trade law. Founded in 1919, CITBA strives to maintain and improve standards of practice and to promote the public interest.

**Judges**

A committee of practicing attorneys and professors with relevant expertise will judge the papers. The following factors will be considered:

* Legal analysis
* Thoroughness and depth of topic
* Evaluation of judicial precedents, statutes, and regulations
* Writing style
* Form and quality of citations
* Conformity with rules of competition

**About the Honoree: Andrew P. Vance**

The writing award honors the memory of Andrew P. Vance, past president of CITBA and distinguished public servant and practitioner. Through his work in the field of customs and international trade law for over forty years, Andrew Vance maintained and improved the standards of practice and earned the respect and affection of countless lawyers, judges and scholars.

**Submit Your Paper Now!**

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