



# Writing Competition

## The Topic: Bioethics

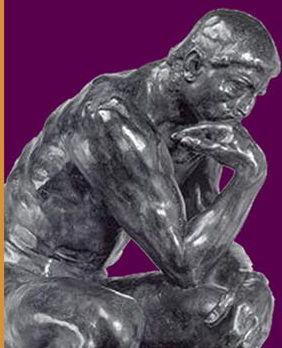
Science, ethics, and the law collide in the field of bioethics. Various controversies arise including:

- \*Stem Cell Research
- \*Adopting/destorying embryos
- \*Liability for Damage to an Embryo
- \*End of Life Decisions
- \*Fetal Homicide Law (determining when life begins)
- \*Surrogacy Issues
- \*Organ Shortages
- \*Cloning
- \*Medical decisions — patients vs. doctors, HMO's, etc.
- \*Health Insurance
- \*Human Medical Testing
- \*Medical Engineering
- \*Postmortem Organ Retention
- \*Government regulations for in vitro etc.

**These issues do not exist in a vacuum. As the courts rule on these issues, the judges and lawyers' worldviews and presumptions affect these decisions. Describe what foundational worldview should be used when dealing with these difficult issues, and how should U.S. jurisprudence deal with these cases?**

### Some things to think about

- \*Liberty Issues
- \*Issues of Life
- \*Science
- \*Worldview
- \*Natural Law
- \*Biblical Truths
- \*Constitution-proper understanding from Founding Fathers
- \*Jurisprudential Thinkers
- \*Public Policy Issues
- \*Postmodernism/Ethical Relativism



### Guidelines

The paper should be well researched, and written in a scholarly tone. The paper should be between 2,000 and 4,000 words. The paper should have a heading in the far right of the paper with a shortened title (running head) and the page number. The citations should be footnoted in the official Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citations. You need a title page with your name, school, year of graduation, and date on it. If your school has a Christian Pre-Law Society you must be a member before you can submit an article to be considered for publication (becoming a pre-law member of Christian Legal Society will meet this requirement). If this is a burden for you please write the editor to ask for an exemption. Deadline Jan. 22, 2010.