



## PROPERTY LITIGATION ASSOCIATION (“PLA”) MEMORIAL ESSAY 2018 (“Contest”)

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### THE ESSAY QUESTION:

Reforming commercial leasehold property law is conspicuously absent from the Law Commission's 13<sup>th</sup> Programme of Law Reform. If you could change any law in this particular area, what would that be and why is it important to anyone occupying or investing in UK real estate in 2018?

**WHO MAY PARTICIPATE:** Contest is open to all current members of the PLA, with the exception of Honorary, Retired or Academic members, or any current members of the Executive Committee or Law Reform Committee.

The submission must be the original work of the entrant, and must not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks, rights of privacy, publicity or other intellectual property or other rights of any person or entity, or be otherwise contrary to applicable laws and regulations.

**SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:** Submissions must comply with the following guidelines:

- Members must submit their essay by email to [essaycomp@pla.org.uk](mailto:essaycomp@pla.org.uk). Essays submitted by any other means will not be accepted;
- The **name, mailing address and email address** of the entrant must appear on the paper;
- Maximum word limit (strictly applied, but excluding headings): **1,500 words**;
- All entries must be received by **5pm on Wednesday, 28 February 2018**;
- The submission must be the original work of the entrant, and must not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks, rights of privacy, publicity or other intellectual property or other rights of any person or entity, or be otherwise contrary to applicable laws and regulations;
- Content cannot promote any activities that may appear unsafe or dangerous;
- Content cannot be obscene or offensive, endorse any form of hate or hate group;
- Content cannot defame, misrepresent or contain disparaging remarks;
- Content cannot contain any material that infringes on the intellectual property rights or other rights of any third party, including, without limitation contractual rights, copyrights, rights of privacy; and
- Content cannot contain copyrighted materials owned by others.

The PLA reserves the right to disqualify any submission (or portion thereof) for any reason, in its sole and absolute discretion, including its determination in their sole discretion that a submission fails to satisfy any of the above requirements.

**JUDGING PHASE:** All eligible submissions received by PLA will be judged by a panel comprising one of the Honorary Members of the PLA and its President. In the event of a tie, the PLA Chair will have the final decision.

**FINALIST NOTIFICATION:** Judges' decisions are final and binding on all matters relating to this Contest. The winner will be notified via mail, email and/or phone and their prize will be presented at the dinner before the Annual Conference in Oxford on Thursday 22 March 2018.

**GRAND PRIZE AWARD** (1 recipient): £1,000 (one thousand pounds). Award recipients are solely responsible for all applicable tax liabilities, if any, as well as any other costs and expenses associated with award acceptance or use of the award.

**USE OF SUBMISSIONS:** All entrants irrevocably grant the PLA the right to edit, modify and publish any submissions on the PLA's public website and / or any trade and legal journals.

**PERSONAL DATA:** Any information collected from the Contest shall be used only in a manner consistent with the Consent given by the entrant at the time of submission, with these Terms and Conditions, and with the PLA's Privacy Policy which can be found at [www.pla.org.uk/privacy-policy](http://www.pla.org.uk/privacy-policy). (Such Privacy Policy is incorporated herein by reference). Each entrant expressly agrees to the use of his/her personal information for such purpose. By participating in the Contest, entrants:

(i) agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions, including all eligibility requirements, the Privacy Policy; and

(ii) agree to be bound by the decisions of PLA, which are final and binding in all matters relating to this Contest. Failure to comply with these Terms and Conditions may result in disqualification from this Contest.

The PLA reserves the right to permanently disqualify any entrant it believes has intentionally violated these Terms and Conditions and void their submission.

The following information will be collected from each entrant for the purpose of administering the Contest, and may also be used by PLA to contact the winner of the Contest: entrant's name, mailing address and email address. The PLA will not sell, share or otherwise disclose information collected in any manner with third parties, other than those parties necessary to fulfill the above purposes, unless entrant has given his prior express consent to receive additional information from the PLA or a third party.

Entrants have a right of access to, modification and withdrawal of their personal data. Entrants also have the right of opposition to the data collection, under certain circumstances, in accordance with applicable law. To exercise such right, an entrant may write to the PLA Administrator, 21 Goodwyns Vale, London N10 2HA, [mary.block@pla.org.uk](mailto:mary.block@pla.org.uk). The PLA will take all steps reasonably necessary to ensure that each entrant's personal information is treated securely and in accordance with the PLA's Privacy Policy and these Terms and Conditions.

**JURISDICTION:** These Terms and Conditions are governed by English law. The courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to hear any dispute or claim arising in association with the Contest or these Terms and Conditions.

**PROVIDER OF CONTEST:**

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