







# 2021 Essay Contest

In recognition of Law Month, the Judiciary of Guam, the District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association are sponsoring the annual Law Month Essay Contest.

### What is Law Day?

Law Day is a national day set aside to celebrate the rule of law. Law Day underscores how law and the legal process have contributed to the freedoms that we all share.

#### The 2021 Guam Law Month Theme: "Advancing the Rule of Law Now"

The rule of law is the bedrock of American rights and liberties—in times of calm and unrest alike. The 2021 Law Month theme—Advancing the Rule of Law, Now—reminds all of us that we the people share the responsibility to promote the rule of law, defend liberty, and pursue justice.

#### To enter, students must write an essay addressing the following question:

The rule of law is the principle that no one is above the law and everyone is treated equally under the law. However, we know that throughout America's history and even until today, this isn't always the case. Discuss historical or current events that illustrate when the rule of law has either failed or triumphed. In the example(s) you chose, why did the rule of law fail or succeed?

#### **Contest Rules:**

- Students from 6th-8th grade are eligible to participate.
- Essays must address the question above.
- Essays must be no more than 750 words, typewritten, and double-spaced.
- Essays must be the student's original work.

First Place – \$200 Cash Second Place - \$100 Cash Third Place - \$50 Cash

## Deadline: Friday, April 16, 2021

Entries must be emailed to eeschbach@guamsupremecou	ırt.com or delivered to the Supreme Court of Guam,
3rd Floor, Guam Judicial Center.	
Student's Name:	Certification of Student:
School:	I am submitting an original essay to the Law Month 2021 Essa

Grade:

Teacher's Email: ——

Contest. I certify that this essay is my own work. I understand that my essay will not be returned and may be used in activities *publicizing the contest.* 

Signature