$10,000 PRIZE
National Championship, Alternative Dispute Resolution
Law Student Writing Competition

Sponsored by the Dispute Resolution Section of the New York State Bar Association and the American College of Civil Trial Mediators

PAPERS DUE by 5pm EST June 1, 2019, to be sent, along with full name, law school affiliation, class and contact information to American College of Civil Trial Mediators, C/O Kathy Talbot Executive Administrator, acctm@acctm.org*

Reactions of Past Champions
2018 National Champion, Grace Keesing, NYU Law School: “For me, winning this competition has meant recognition and public acknowledgment of the importance of ADR as a subject of scholarship. The funds provided by the award will also enable me to pursue further training and accreditation in ADR, and to maintain this as a core facet of my practice.”

2017 National Champion, Sarah Benzidi, Harvard Law: “I will always remember the day I heard the great news. All of a sudden, I received an email informing me I was the winner and that I was invited to NY from Brussels to collect my prize (a trophy and $10,000). I will always be grateful to NYSBA and ACCTM for the visibility that winning this competition has given to me.”

2017 Award for Best NY paper,** Carl J. Mudd, Brooklyn Law School: “This competition is an amazing opportunity for students to compete for a cash prize while exploring an area of ADR that they find truly fascinating. Winning best NY entry was an inspiring experience.”

2018 Finalists
In addition to Grace Keesing, the following were the 2018 Finalists:
Christina Costello, Fordham Law
Joeylynn Darius, Quinnipiac Law
Nicole Duke, Cardozo School of Law
Juhi Gupta, Harvard Law
Dominic Saturday, Ohio State School of Law
Maple Hongye Zhang, Harvard Law
Yuxian Zaho, Harvard Law

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* While there is no limit on the number of pages of an entered paper, most are in the 15 to 30 page range, double spaced.
** In addition to the national $10,000 prize, there is a $1,000 prize for best NY paper. In 2018, Grace Keesing won both the NY and national prizes.