## **INSTRUCTION TO AUTHORS**

Those who are interested to get their manuscripts published on HLR could further look at some sections of the HLR Policy and Guidelines. These parts will definitely help them prepare their manuscripts to fit the standard of HLR. The relevant parts of the HLR Policy and Guidelines are reproduced below.

## SECTION THREE: EDITORIAL POLICY AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

#### Article 16

#### Core Values of the Journal

The Journal shall work for and ensure the following core values:

- 1. **Academic Excellence**, as a core value of any educational institution, will serve as a measure of the acceptability of the Journal in the academic world.
- 2. The Journal endeavors to provide an excellent platform for academicians, members of the judiciary and members of the different legal professions to establish their **professional competence**.
- 3. **Relevancy** to the Ethiopian legal system and education, problem solving and demand driven research findings are the priorities of Journal.
- 4. **Originality** of the contributions is the primary requirement for consideration for publication in the Journal. *Therefore*, *the Journal* seeks original works and will not ordinarily consider publishing an article that has appeared elsewhere.
- 5. The **promotion of legal science** and a critical and analytical approach to law as its main objectives the Journal publishes contributions of a high academic standard.
- 6. The Journal focuses on **clarity** of thought and **accuracy** in presentation of socio-legal issues.
- 7. The Journal is committed to **academic integrity** and seeks to publish contributions that meet the requirements of high ethical standards.

#### **Article 17**

### **Language of Publication**

- 1. The Journal shall accept and publish contributions in English or Amharic.
- 2. Contributions shall be published in the language the author has written them.
- 3. Amharic contributions shall be accompanied by an English abstract.

#### Article 18

#### **Ethical Declaration by Manuscript Author(s)**

1. All contributions in the Journal shall be original works of the author(s).

- 2. Author(s) are required to sign and submit a declaration to the effect that the contribution is not duplication or excerpt of previously published work (See ANNEX III: AUTHOR DECLARATION FORM).
- 3. The author(s) declare that the manuscript:
  - a. Is submitted solely to HLR or that it is not under consideration for publication elsewhere;
  - b. Is free of any conflict of interests such as financial, organizational, personal or among coauthors;
  - c. Has been carefully read and explicitly approved by all authors;
  - d. Does not contain any defamatory, abusive and deceitful elements; and
  - e. Is based on their original work free of data manipulation.
  - f. May not be withdrawn without prior consent of the Journal.
- 4. In the event of breach of ethical declaration, all the authors' rights shall be revoked and they shall be barred from participating in future Journal affairs.

## 5. Plagiarism and Similarity

The HLR uses the latest software to detect instances of overlapping and similar text in submitted manuscripts. Any instance of content overlap is further scrutinized for suspected plagiarism according to the Journal's Editorial Policies. The Journal allows an overall similarity of 15% for a manuscript to be considered for publication.

### Article 19

## **Types of Manuscripts**

- 1. **Feature Articles:** Article is original research work that focuses on specific thematic legal issues.
  - a) In the research, a critical analysis of the legal issues and the relevant principles/doctrines are often made to criticize, illuminate or justify the application of legal rules, precedents, principles, etc.
  - b) The research article, whether qualitative/doctrinal or quantitative/empirical, must be original and of high quality for publication.
  - c) The article can range between 15 30 pages in length or 8,000 to 15,000 words.
  - d) Full length article could include case comments based on decisions (including arbitral awards) of significant impact or importance with critical analysis of its rulings and theoretical foundations.
- 2. **Case Reviews:** In a case review, the formulation or application of legal rules or precedents can be elucidated to show the significance or implication of the decisions or the underlying principles. The length of a case review may range between 5 10 pages or 3,000 to 10,000 words.
- 3. **Notes or Reflections:** A note is a writing that covers a range of topics without a deeper critical analysis of the issues. In most cases, the note makes a brief summary of the relevant literature on the topic or subject matter. The length of a note may be between 5 10 pages or 3,000 to 10,000 words.
- 4. **Book review:** A book review is an original work of scholarship that involves review of the topics/issues covered in a book. In particular, the review may be made in the form of a succinct

- summary of the important issues under each chapter with a comment or an appraisal of the topics covered in the book. The review may be 5 8 pages long or 3,000 to 8,000 words.
- 5. **Legislation Reviews**: This is a short submission designed to review important part of a legislation to inform audiences about the salient features of it usually new legislation. It is designed to inform audiences about state and federal legislation, how it can affect interests and what one can do about it. Its length usually ranges between 5 10 pages or 3,000 to 10,000 words.
- 6. The Editor-in-Chief may waive the page or world limits of a manuscript by a third if the content and style of the manuscript exceptional justifies it.

#### Article 20

## **Formats of Manuscripts**

- 1. HLR accepts submissions ONLY in soft copies through its designated email address preferably in doc format (MS Word).
- 2. Manuscripts shall be written in Times New Roman style (Power Ge'ez Unicode for Amharic texts), 1.5 space, 12 Font size, 1" margins on both right and left sides, and with 0.5" header and footer, and Footnotes in single space, and 10 Font size.
- 3. Manuscript shall include, at least, Title, Author(s) Name with detailed profile, affiliation and full address for correspondence, Abstract (250 words), Keywords (five to seven), Introduction (including methodology section), body (further sub divided into sections), and Conclusion (Recommendations).
  - a. **Title**: Must be less than a sentence that adequately reflects the subject and scope of the work.
  - b. **Author(s)**: Full name(s) of authors, affiliation (institution names), full address for correspondence (especially email) and acknowledgements appear as footnote marked by an asterisk.
  - c. **Abstract:** It should briefly introduce the subject, precisely summarize the aim, findings and purpose of the manuscript including notes and reviews. As a summary of the entire paper, not just the conclusions. An abstract must be able to stand alone, separate from the rest of the paper. The use of abbreviations must be minimized and citation of references must be avoided in the abstract.
  - d. **Keywords** Five to seven keywords representing the main content of the article appearing in alphabetical order next to the abstract.
- 4. **Internal organization**: Headings and sub-headings (including the Introduction and Conclusion) should be clearly indicated and should be numbered. All **Headings** must be written in the same style and bolded. This shall appear in the following way:

#### I. THIS IS HEADING 1

## A. This Is Heading 2

1. This is Heading 3

- 5. **Quotations:** In general, three consecutive words or more copied from a source should be treated as a direct quotation (given quotation marks and a citation).
  - **a.** Quotations of less than 50 words should be presented in the text with double quotation marks.
  - **b.** Quotations longer than 50 words should be presented as independent, fully-indented paragraphs without quotation marks.
  - **c.** Quotations from foreign languages should normally appear in English translation.
- 6. **Spelling and Language:** American English spellings and expressions must be used endings such as "ize/ization." than "ise/isation".
- 7. **Citation (Footnotes)** All factual assertions, direct quotations, statutes, and case references must be cited using footnotes (See ANNEX I: SAMPLE CITATION)
  - **a.** All citations should be in the style of *The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation*. For more information see sample citation annexed to this guideline (ANNEX I: SAMPLE CITATION) or a recommended guide to legal citation by Peter W. Martin's '*Introduction to Basic Legal Citation* (online ed. 2016) available at <a href="http://www.law.cornell.edu/citation">http://www.law.cornell.edu/citation</a>.
  - **b.** In case of doubt as to how to cite a particular source, always provide enough information to allow an editor to easily locate the document.
  - **c.** 'Id', 'supra note' and 'hereinafter' must be used for cross-references.

## SECTION FOUR: EDITORIAL PROCESS

#### Article 21

### **Reviewing Standard**

- 1. All manuscripts shall be reviewed internally by the Editorial Committee for its originality, technical efficiency and subject matter relevancy.
- 2. All feature articles that satisfy the internal review process shall be reviewed by at least two external reviewers.
- 3. The Editorial Committee maintains the right not to send other types of manuscripts (notes, reflections, or case/book/legislation reviews) to external reviewers.
- 4. External reviewers are experts on the subject matter under discussion with proven experience on the area by their scholarly contribution, publication or practice.
- 5. HLR follows a double-blind reviewing process where both reviewers' and authors' identities remain anonymous throughout the process.
- 6. HLR aims at a general legal audience who may or may not possess extensive legal education. It is, therefore, helpful to introduce or explain complex legal ideas, organizations, acronyms, authors, or publications discussed in the article, so as not to confuse readers.

#### **Article 22**

#### **Submission**

- 1. All manuscript shall be submitted to the designated address before the lapse of time indicated on the call for submission announcement.
- 2. All manuscripts submitted after the date indicated in the call may be considered for the next issue.
- 3. The Editorial Manger shall acknowledge the receipt of the contribution up on receipt of the same.
- 4. Manuscripts shall be free from any self-identifying information about the author except in the author information part.
- 5. Contributions shall be free from grammatical and spelling errors.

#### Article 23

## **Internal Review (1)**

- 1. All manuscripts submitted shall be distributed to the Editorial Committee members for their comments, and specifically to those who have expertise on the area.
- 2. When appropriate, the Editorial Manager in consultation with the Editor-in-Chief may assign other staff members of the College to give feedback on the manuscript (see ANNEX II: MANUSCRIPT ASSESSMENT FORM).
- 3. The internal review by Editorial Committee should categorically assess the following aspects of the manuscript:
  - a. Structural: That the contribution has all the attributes of a scientific paper structurally, title and content match, coherence, presence of theme and addressing the same.
  - b. Technical: That it is referenced with sufficient sources, free from spelling, grammar and punctuation errors, and
  - c. Type of the manuscript: Identify how it should be treated, and check for the novelty and originality of the work.
- 4. If the Editorial Committee is satisfied with the manuscript, it shall send it to external reviewers.
- 5. If the Editorial Committee finds that the manuscript needs refinement before it was sent out to external reviewers, it shall return the manuscript to the author(s) with feedback for its improvement.

#### **Article 24**

### **External Review (2)**

- 1. The Editorial Manager, in consultation with the Editor-in-Chief and other Editorial Committee members, shall assign two external reviewers for each of the feature article.
- 2. External reviewers shall be given at least two weeks to review the manuscript on both subjective and objective criteria, and indicate their recommendation for the editors.

- 3. The external reviewers shall evaluate the manuscript on its content and form (See ANNEX II: MANUSCRIPT ASSESSMENT FORM) based on the following criteria and put it both in a narration and summation forms:
  - a. Novelty and its contribution to the legal scholarship,
  - b. Depth of the analysis to sufficiently cover the issues and subject including its contemporariness,
  - c. Comprehensiveness of the discussion and analysis,
  - d. Clarity in identifying and addressing the thesis,
  - e. Supporting arguments with relevant and appropriate facts, data and authorities,
  - f. Logical organization and objectivity of the manuscript,
  - g. Internal consistency and accuracy in treating facts and authorities,
  - h. Compatibility and clarity of the research methodology with the research questions/thesis the author intends to address, and
  - i. Whether the length of the manuscript is justified.
- 4. Based on the reviews and recommendation of the reviewers, the Editorial Committee shall decide on the fate of the manuscript including sending it to another reviewer(s) when the two previous reviewers significantly differ in their evaluation.

#### **Article 25**

## Acceptance and Rejection of manuscript for publication

- 1. Authors of manuscripts shall be notified of the decision made by the Editorial Committee without any delay.
- 2. Conditional acceptance will be communicated to authors when the Editorial Committee is satisfied with the reviewers comment and believe that the author can incorporate the comments provided.
- 3. Based on the evaluation of the external reviewers, if the Editorial Committee feels that the work is far below the required standard, the work will be rejected and the decision will be communicated to the author(s) with the reasons for the rejection.
- 4. The Editorial Manager shall communicate the author(s) of manuscripts accepted for publication to do the final proofreading before publication.
- 5. Depending on the responses from authors, HLR aspires to complete the processing of a manuscript (from submission to publication) within three months.

### **Article 26**

### **Re-publication and Reproduction**

1. Authors who wish to republish their manuscripts that have been published elsewhere or vice versa shall ensure that they have appropriate permission(s), indicate clearly that the material has been published, and clearly state the original source of the material.

- 2. The Journal may consider for re-publication of manuscripts which were previously published only as abstracts or extended abstracts, as thesis or part of thesis, proceedings (published in a different form and process than that of the Journal), reports by institutions (in a different form than that of the Journal), or translation from a different language etc.
- 3. Published material shall not be considered for publication unless written permission is obtained by HLR from the copyright holder.
- 4. HLR may request copies of related publications if it is concerned about overlap and possible redundancy.
- 5. Manuscripts published in HLR may be reproduced (except for non-commercial uses) or republished elsewhere with prior written permission from the Journal and acknowledging its original publication (See also Art. 30: Copyright of this guidelines).

#### **Article 27**

### Submissions by Staff Members of the Journal

- 1. In case of manuscripts submitted by any active staff members of the Journal including the Editor-in-Chief, Associate Editor, Editorial Manager and other Editorial Committee members, the committee shall make sure that their anonymity is maintained during the reviewing process.
- 2. In addition, the author from the Journal staffs shall be treated as 'author' for all purposes and may not be involved in any reviewing process of his/her manuscript.
- 3. Staff members with their submissions in process shall be relieved from attending all meetings at which their manuscript will be discussed.

## **SECTION THREE: MISCELLANEOUS**

#### Article 28

#### Content of the Journal

- 1. On the cover page the Journal shall, at least, contain name of the Journal, logo of the Journal, Volume and Number of the issue, Year of publication, titles of published manuscripts, and name of the College.
- 2. On the first internal page, the Journal shall indicate the name of the Journal, names of members of the Advisory Board, names of Editorial Committee members, names of external reviewers of the issue, and copy right and subscription information.
- 3. On the second internal page, table of contents of the Issue shall be outlined.
- 4. Message from the Editorial Committee or College, or Staff profiles of the College may feature before the manuscripts.
- 5. Manuscripts shall be listed and organized in their order of importance, contemporary nature and logical arrangement. Feature articles will come first followed by notes or reflections, case reviews, legislative reviews and book reviews.
- 6. Abridged Journal policy and submission guidelines may feature at the end of the manuscripts.

#### **Article 29**

## Opinions expressed in the Journal

Opinions expressed in the Journal, except the message from the Editorial Committee and College, reflect only the views of the respective authors and not that of the Journal or the Editorial Committee or the University or the College.

#### Article 30

#### Copyright

- 1. The Journal/College of Law/Haramaya University shall have copyright over the contributions published in the Journal. However, authors may republish their works with priorpermission from the College. Details shall be regulated by the applicable laws of the country.
- 2. The Journal is protected by **Attribution-Non Commercial-No Derives** [CC BY-NC-ND] license.

#### Article 31

## **Complaints and Appeal Process**

Anyone who is dissatisfied with any decisions of the Editorial Committee may appeal to College AC within 15 days from the date when the decision was communicated to him/her.

#### **Article 32**

#### **Publication and Dissemination Policy**

- 1. Haramaya Law Review is published both online and in print. The online publication is made through:
  - a. Haramaya University website: http://www.haramaya.edu.et/academics/college-of-law/
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- 4. Authors and reviewers may get a complimentary copy of the Journal that their work features.

#### Article 33

#### **Publication Fee**

- 1. HLR does not charge any one for manuscript submission nor for processing.
- 2. Haramaya University, from its own fund or sponsors, covers all Journal processing and printing costs.

#### **Article 34**

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#### GENERAL

All contributions to the Haramaya Law Reviewshould follow this rules of citation. All citations should be in the style of <u>'The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation'</u>. If you've doubts as to how to cite a particular source, provide enough information to allow an editor to easily locate the document.

#### 1. Books

- Full Author Name, Title of the Book, Publisher, (edition number if any, Year of Publication)
- European/foreign names should appear in their natural order (family names followed by given names) and Ethiopian names in their natural order too beginning with given name.
- Works by two authors are cited using both names separated by "&".
- If the book has more than two author or editor, the names of all should be provided.
- If the book contains contributions by several authors, the name of the editor(s) should appear in place of an author and the fact that she/he is the editor should be indicated in parentheses.
- If the book has more than one volumes, it should be given in Arabic numerals in the manner illustrated below.

#### **Examples**

DEBORAH L. RHODE, JUSTICE AND GENDER 56-59 (1989).

CHARLES DICKENS, BLEAK HOUSE 49-55 (Norman Page ed., Penguin Books 1971) (1853).

WAYNE R. LAFAVE& AUSTIN W. SCOTT, CRIMINAL LAW § 5.4 (2d ed. 1986).

BAHRU ZEWDE & DIEGFRIED PAUSE WANG (EDS), ETHIOPIA: THE CHALLENGE OF DEMOCRACY FROM BELOW (United Printers, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia) (2006), at 17-18.

ABERRAJEMBERRE, LEGAL HISTORY OF ETHIOPIA – 1434 – 1974: SOME ASPECTS OF SUBSTANTIVE AND PROCEDURAL LAWS (Rotterdam: Erasmus Universiteit and Leiden: Afrika-Srudiecentrum) (1998).

PHILIP KYLE, PEOPLE AND PLACES, (Dante Press, Vol. 5, 2003).

## Works in a Collection or Book Chapter:

• Book chapter or work in collection should indicate name of the author(s) and title of the chapter followed by the word 'in'Vol # (if any), title of the book, page at with the chapter begins and referred pages, if any. Editors, translators, publisher and date appears at the end in parenthesis form.

John Adams, Argument and Report, *in*2 LEGAL PAPERS OF JOHN ADAMS 285, 322-35 (L. Kinvin Wroth & Hiller B. Zobel eds., 1965).

#### **Institutional Authors**

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY, ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY OF ETHIOPIA (1997).

## 2. Law Review Articles

- Should include author(s) full name, Title of the article, Volume (Issue) number, JOURNAL TITLE, page on which article begins, year of publication, specific page(s) cited
- If the article is co-authored by more than two authors, all co-authors should be listed.

## **Examples**

Charles A. Reich, *The New Property*, 73 YALE L.J. 733, 737-38 (1964).

Justice Richard J. Goldstone, Women, Children, and Victims of Massive Crimes: Legal Developments in Africa, 31 FORDHAM INT'L L.J. 285 (2007).

Fekadu Petros, Underlying Distinctions between Alternative Dispute Resolutions (ADR), Shimglina and Arbitration, 3(1) MIZAN LAW REVIEW 105-133 (2009).

Mulugeta Getu, *The Ethiopian Environmental Regime Versus International Standards: Policy, Legal, and Institutional Frameworks*, 1(1) HARAMAYA LAW REVIEW 43, (2012).

### 3. Magazines or Newspapers:

• Should contain Name of the author(s), Title of the Article or piece referred, Name of the Newspaper (Magazine), Date when the newspaper (magazine) was published, Page where the specific reference could be found.

#### Examples

Robert J. Samuelson, A Slow Fix for the Banks, NEWSWEEK, Feb. 18, 1991, at 55.

Damages for a Deadly Cloud: The Bhopal Tragedy, TIME, Feb. 27, 1989, at 53.

HabtamuBazeze, The Necessary Evils, THE REPORTER, Dec. 28, 2014, at 10.

## 4. Treaties

• Include name of the document, date of signing and document number

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, Dec. 10, 1982, 1833 U.N.T.S. 397.

African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights, adopted on 27 June 1981 at Nairobi, Kenya and entered into force on 21 October 1986, OAU Doc. CAB/LEG/67/3 Rev. 5, 21 ILM 58 (1982) (hereinafter African Charter), Art. 27(2).

## 5. Cases and Decisions:

• This at least should contain Case name (in most cases this would be the name of the parties to the case), Country and Court Name, Case number or file number, Date of the decision (in parenthesis), Name of the case report or journal, Page where specific reference might be found.

#### Examples

W/t Tsedale Demissie Vs Ato Kifle Demisse, Federal Supreme Court, Cassation Bench, File No. 23632 (6 Nov 2007) Vol. 5, at 188.

Coalition for Unity and Democracy v. Prime Minister MelesZenawiAsres, Fed. First Instance Ct., Lideta Div., File No. 54024 (Decision of 3 June 2005) (26 Ginbot 1997 E.C.)

Military and Paramilitary Activities (Nicar. v. U.S.), 1986 I.C.J. 14 (June 27).

Kampanis v. Greece, 318 Eur. Ct. H. R. 29, 35 (1995).

## 6. Ethiopian Laws:

• Should include name of the legislation, legislation number, gazette name, number and year of publication.

## **Examples**

CONSTITUTION, Proclamation No 1/1995, FED. NEGARITGAZETA, 1<sup>st</sup> Year No.1, 1995 (here after FDRECONSTITUTION), Art. 9(1) [when it appears for the first time], and then FDRE Constitution, Art. 40(3) subsequently.

*The Proclamation to Provide for Peaceful Demonstration and Public Political Meetings*, Proclamation No. 3/1991, Fed. NegaritGazeta 50<sup>th</sup> Year No. 4, Addis Ababa, 12 August 1991.

CIVIL CODE OF THE EMPIRE OF ETHIOPIA, Proclamation No 165/1960, NEGARITGAZETA, 19<sup>th</sup> Year No. 2, 5<sup>th</sup> May 1960, Addis Ababa [here after CIVIL CODE].

*Electoral Law of Ethiopia* (as Amended) Proclamation No. 532/2007, FED. NEGARIT GAZETA, 13th Year No. 54, 2007.

## 7. Online Publications and Internet Sources:

• It should at least indicate Author(s) Name, Title of the Manuscript, url address and last date it was retrieved.

#### **Example**

Heidi Goldberg, Center on Budget & Policy Priorities, State Supported Health Care 15 (2007), *available at* http://www.cbpp.org/11-8-01wel.pdf/ (Accessed on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2013)

### 8. Unpublished Reports and Manuscripts

• References to unpublished manuscript of any type shall contain Author's name, Title of the manuscript, Date when the work was completed, The word "unpublished" (in parenthesis), Place of the work may be found (in parenthesis), Page referred to

#### Example

TarekegnTafesse, Effects of Traditional Family Arbitration and Legal Divorce on Divorcees and Their Children: The Case of Boloso Sore Wereda, Wolaita Zone, Southern Ethiopia, (Unpublished, MA Thesis in Social Works, Addis Ababa University, June 2015).

## 9. <u>Interviews</u>

• Reference to materials obtained in an interview should contain the phrase "interview with", Full name of the person interviewed, Position of the person interviewed, Date of the interview.

## **Example**

(Telephone) Interview with AtoRegassaDedefo, Director of Foreign Trade Alignment, Ministry of Trade, on 20th of July 2014.

### 10. Short citations:

- Use 'id.' when referring to the immediately preceding citation/authority. Note also that "id." is always italicized and followed by a period.
- Use '*supra*' when an authority has been fully cited previously but not the immediate preceding one. Note that '*supra*' is also italicized.
- Use 'hereinafter' for authorities/citations that would be cumbersome to cite with 'supra' or 'id.', or shortened form may be established.
- Use 'et al' when referring to the previously cited material with more than two authors.

### Examples:

(same as immediately previous citation)  $\rightarrow Id$ .

(same as immediately previous source, but different page)  $\rightarrow Id$ . at 53.

(same as citation earlier in article)  $\rightarrow$  (Author's given/last name), *supra* note 12 [the footnote # where the authority appeared for the first time]; e.g. Tarekegn, *supra* note 13.

(same as citation earlier in article, but different page)  $\rightarrow$  (Author's given/last name), *supra* note 12, at 23-26; e.g. Reich et al, *supra* note 54, at 78.

# **DECLARATION FORM**

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