



2021 WRITING COMPETITION VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE

Virtual Roundtable Participants — Top row, left to right: Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, recently retired Justice Kathryn Mickle Werdegar, Competition Chair Selma Moidel Smith, and Society President Richard H. Rahm. Bottom row, left to right: Winning authors Kayley Berger, Brook Tylka, and Kelly Shea Delvac. (Published in the *San Francisco and Los Angeles* editions of the *Daily Journal* on August 20, 2021.)

THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT HISTORICAL SOCIETY is pleased to announce the winners of its 2021 CSCHS Selma Moidel Smith Student Writing Competition in California Legal History.

First place was won by Kayley Berger of UC Irvine School of Law for “Surveying the Golden State (April 1850–June 2020): Vagrancy, Racial Exclusion, Sit-Lie, and the Right to Exist in Public.” She receives a prize of \$2,500 and publication in the 2021 volume of *California Legal History*, the Society’s annual scholarly journal.

Second place was awarded to Brook Tylka of Boston University School of Law for “Getting to Tarasoff: A Gender-Based History of Tort Law Doctrine.” She receives a prize of \$500.

The third place winner is Kelly Shea Delvac of Pepperdine University School of Law for “California Wrongful Incarceration Compensation Law: A History That Is Still Being Written.” She receives a prize of \$250.

The high quality of the winning papers has resulted in the editorial decision to publish all three in the 2021 journal.

The three distinguished judges, all of whom are legal historians and professors of law, were Stuart Banner, UCLA School of Law; Christian Fritz, University of New Mexico School of Law (Emeritus); and Sara Mayeux, Vanderbilt University School of Law, who was the first-place winner of the competition in 2010.

Law and graduate students may write on any aspect of California legal history from 1846 to the present. ★