South Florida Paralegal Association's Annual Paralegal Education Scholarship Contest



Entries are now welcome for the South Florida Paralegal Association's 2012 Paralegal Education Scholarship Competition!

Please submit a 1,000-1,500-word (maximum) typed memorandum as described below:

Mr. Tom Watson came to your law firm for a consult and wants to retain your law firm for representation. During the initial conference, Mr. Watson stated that he is a truck driver and normally drives a route that takes 48 hours to complete one way. On Saturday, October 26, at approximately 4 a.m., Mr. Watson was traveling south on U.S. 1 approaching the intersection of 156th Street. He had not noticed that the light turned red. About 10 feet before the intersection, he slammed on the brakes, but collided with a motorcyclist crossing the intersection. The motorcyclist died within minutes of the accident. Mr. Watson denies having any alcohol in his system but admits to taking prescribed antibiotics for a serious cold. The motorcyclist's autopsy results reflect that he had a blood/alcohol level over the legal limit in Florida.

Please draft a memorandum to Attorney Johnson citing all Florida Statutes regarding minimum and maximum sentencing for vehicular homicide. Include additional research and list any defenses that may be raised to defend Mr. Watson.

All entries for the Scholarship Competition should be clearly marked with the entrant's name, mailing address, e-mail address, and a contact telephone number. Please also indicate in which school you are enrolled, and at what level. The competition is open to any student currently enrolled in an accredited paralegal education program in South Florida.

First Place: \$1,000.00 Sandra L. Keith Memorial Scholarship Second Place: \$500.00 Marisa Maugeri Memorial Scholarship

All entries must be post marked no later than November 28, 2012 and should be sent to:

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE SFPA PO Box 31-0745 Miami, FL 33231-0745

Scholarships will be presented at SFPA's Holiday Party in December *location/time to be determined*