



7th ANNUAL COLLOQUIUM ON THE LAW OF FUTURISTIC PERSONS

TERASEM ISLAND AMPHITHEATRE, SECOND LIFE

DECEMBER 10, 2011 1PM – 4PM EST

Eligibility: Any person enrolled in an accredited U.S. law school during 2011.

Costs: The chosen participant(s) will receive a **\$1,000 honorarium**.

Where: Terasem Island Amphitheatre in Second Life (<http://secondlife.com>, coordinates: 121.155.30), an on-line virtual community. Upon presentation acceptance, we will be pleased to provide you with the necessary acquaintance and/or instruction to participate in the Terasem Island/Second Life virtual workshop. All workshop proceedings are open to the public and are subsequently archived online for free public access.

Requirements, Track A: Interested participants must submit, no later than **September 9, 2011**, a 6,000 - 10,000 word (including footnotes) analysis of the legal rights and obligations of futuristic persons, defined as a being who claims to have the rights and obligations associated with humans, but is beyond currently accepted notions of legal personhood. (Examples would include a computer claiming to be conscious; a person successfully revived from post-mortem cryonic biostasis; or a person's downloaded cyberconsciousness in a bionano body).

Requirements, Track B: Interested participants must submit, no later than **September 9, 2011**, a 4,000 – 6,000 word (including footnotes) appellate brief in support or in opposition to the granting of U.S. citizenship to a futuristic person, as defined above. For background, view: <http://www.kurzweilai.net/meme/frame.html?main=memelist.html?m=4%23677> (the 2003 California case): http://www.TerasemCentral.org/05_cltppm.html (the 2005 Florida case), and for the 2006 Alabama Case: <http://www.TerasemCentral.org/2006ColloquiumProgram.html> .

Notification & Conditions: Selected participant(s) will be notified by **October 10, 2011**, and are expected to orally present a summary of their paper or brief during the Colloquium. Selected papers and briefs will be published in the Colloquium's online archive.

Submissions & Further Information:

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