



2020 Essay Contest on the Importance of Judicial Independence in our Justice System

This year, the California Judges Foundation wants to encourage high school seniors throughout the state to learn more about the state judiciary and better understand the importance of an independent and impartial judiciary.

The contest will be held in six regions of the state and essays will be read and graded by a team of judicial officers and lawyers in each region. A winner will be selected from each of the six regions and from that group, a grand prize winner will be selected. The grand prize is \$2,500 and each runner-up will receive \$1,200. The Essay deadline is **February 28, 2020**.

For details, go to: <https://caljudges.org/essay.asp>

CASH PRIZES for Winners of the Essay

Statewide Winner: \$2,500

Regional Winner: \$1,200

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