

Law Day 2018 Essay Contest

In recognition of Law Day, the Judiciary of Guam, the District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association are sponsoring the annual Law Day Essay Contest.

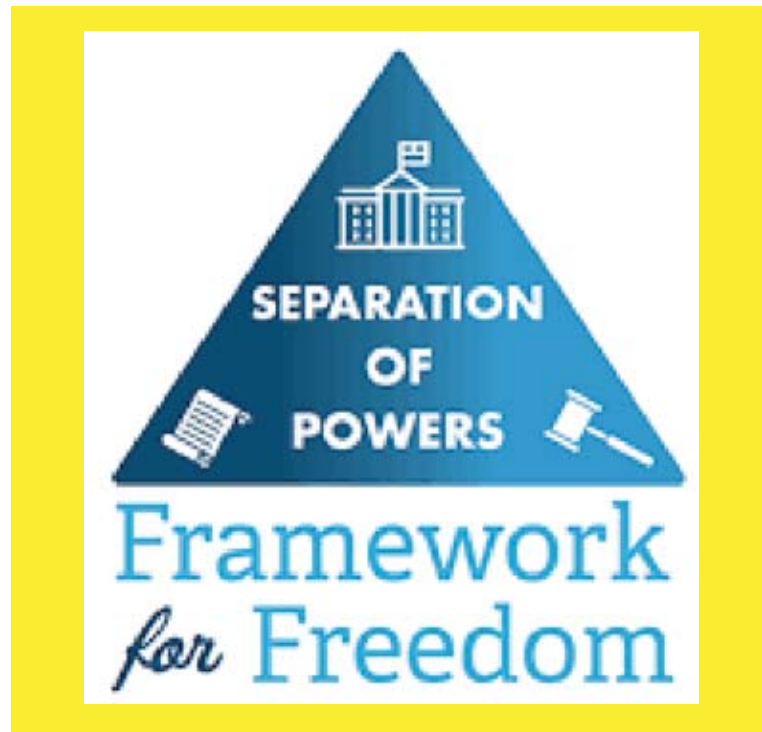
What is Law Day?

Law Day is a national day set aside to celebrate the rule of law. Law Day underscores how law and the legal process have contributed to the freedoms that we all share.

The 2018 Law Day Theme

Separation of Powers: Framework for Freedom

The United States Constitution and Guam's Organic Act set out systems of government with three distinct and independent branches—legislative, executive, and judicial. Government power is divided among the three branches, and each branch serves as a check on the power of the others.



To enter, students must write an essay addressing the following question:

Briefly describe the functions of each branch of government and explain why it is important to have a government with distinct and separate powers.

Contest Rules:

- Students from 6th-8th grade are eligible to participate.
- Essays must address the question above.
- Essays must be no more than 750 words, typewritten, and double-spaced.
- Essays must be the student's original work.

Prizes:

First Place – \$200 Cash

Second Place – \$100 Cash

Third Place – \$50 Cash

Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2018

Entries must be delivered to the Supreme Court of Guam, 3rd Floor, Guam Judicial Center.

Student's Name: _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

Teacher: _____

Teacher's Email: _____

Certification of Student:

I am submitting an original essay to the Law Day 2018 Essay Contest. I certify that this essay is my own work. I understand that my essay will not be returned and may be used in activities publicizing the contest.

Signature