

Intellectual Property Journal Call for Submissions

The editorial staff of the Intellectual Property Journal welcome submissions to be considered for inclusion in the Intellectual Property Journal (IPJ).

About the Journal

Founded in 1984, the Intellectual Property Journal (IPJ) covers matters relating to all aspects of Intellectual Property such as patents, trade-marks, copyright, designs, trade secrets, and related areas such as privacy. The focus of the journal is on Canadian material with a mix of comparative and international law content. The IPJ contains articles, opinions, book reviews, case commentaries and writings on legal developments around the world. The IPJ accepts submissions from any interested parties, including students, provided that they meet a high standard of scholarly rigour.

The Journal, edited by Professor Giuseppina D'Agostino and Professor David Vaver, is published by Carswell (<http://www.carswell.com/product-detail/intellectual-property-journal/>) three times per year.

Submission Guidelines

Submissions should be made via email to iposgoode@osgoode.yorku.ca and are reviewed on a continuous basis. Following consideration for eligibility, the editorial team will be in contact with all those who submit articles. Please note that all content will be subject to a double blind review process before publication.

A) Subject Matter

Submissions to the intellectual property journal should focus on patents, trade-marks, copyright, designs, trade secrets, competitive torts, or related subjects. The following are welcomed by the editorial team:

- Articles of 8,000 - 12,000 words (including footnotes) focusing on IP law or policy issues.
- Notes of 3,000 - 8,000 words focusing on legislation, case law and IP practice.
- Book reviews of 2,000 - 5,000 words evaluating scholarly books on IP law and policy.

B) Title Page

All submissions to the intellectual property journal must include a title page that identifies the following information:

1. The title of the submission
2. The name(s) of the author(s)
3. Contact information for the author(s)
4. Mailing address for the author(s)

C) Abstract

All submissions must include a 150-250 word abstract.

D) Citations

All submissions must include citations in footnote format. Submissions with endnotes are not accepted for review.

Editorial Style Guide – IPJ

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**Note: IPJ follows the 6th edition of the McGill Guide.
Case citations will be changed to follow 6th edition standards.**

Numbers

Spell out numbers below 10, use digits for numbers above 10

Canadian spellings of words preferred (rather than American or British, e.g., “colour” rather than “color”, words that end in “ise” e.g., “realize” rather than “realise”.)

Case (for Research purposes)

Confirm only what author has given, do not change court/jurisdiction or add to author’s version.

Commas, not semi-colons, to be used between case levels if given. Do not add additional levels or histories to cases. Confirm only what author has given.

Articles will be sent through our Research department to ensure the following:

- The case name and citation follow Carswell standards so that the journal can be posted online
- We will notify authors of the changes made to cases when we have no choice but to change them to suit our online standards
- Cases will not add correlative citations

Other sources

Use periods between journals & reporters; use periods after “v.” and “ital.” – as per *McGill* 6th edition

Style notes:

No serial comma (one, two and three);

Footnote numbers placed **after** a comma or period in body of text; citations to two or more sources in footnote are separated by comma; the entire footnote ends in a period;

Ellipses (...) space on both sides;

Comma to follow *i.e.*, *e.g.*, -- and both in italics;

Etc. in italics;

No comma after *supra* or *ibid.*;

Periods used in legislative cites, as per McGill 6th ed.: R.S.C. 1985, c. I-21, s. 12;
Periods used in abbreviations of reporters and journals, and after “v” for “v.” in case styles of cause;
Quotation marks *outside* punctuation, always, then fn# follows (exception if single word in quotation marks);
Pinpoint page refs are INSIDE citations, not following court level at end of string;
Aff’d, rev’d, *etc.*;
“[45]” = para. 45;
“45” means p. 45;
F.C.A. for Federal Court of Appeal; F.C.T.D. for trial division;

Spellings:

case law (2 wds)
colour
common law
court (when standing alone; Court when named, *i.e.*, Supreme Court of Canada)
day-to-day
EU
eBook
[http://www ...](http://www...)
Internet
inter-
instalment
judgment
jewelry
license (verb)
licence (noun)
multi-
mash-up
no one
non-
online
per cent
percentage
preempt
preexist
“double quotation marks preferred”
realize (Cdn spelling preferred over British)
section, subsection, paragraph (in text); s., ss., para. (in footnotes)
trademark (1 wd)
U.C.C.
U.K.
U.S.
vis-à-vis (in italics)
Web
Website

wilfully