ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY

PARALEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

2013 FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT ESSAY COMPETITION

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	MAJOR GRADUATION DATE
	ADDRESS
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	TITLE OF ESSAY
	COMPETITION RULES
1.	The essay must respond to and address one of the three questions listed on the opposite side of this form.
2.	Your essay must be typed (double- or triple-spaced) and should be 2,000 words in length (roughly five double-spaced pages). Grammar and punctuation will be considered. <u>Unduly long or short essays will be penalized.</u>
3.	Your essay must be submitted together with this completed and signed scholarship application form to Scholarship Competition, Roosevelt University Paralegal Studies Program, 430 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60605 OR you may email your completed and signed application form with the essay to klevoy@roosevelt.edu.
4.	All essays must be postmarked on or before August 1, 2013, to be eligible for the Franklin D. Roosevelt 2013 Essay Competition. Winners will be announced within thirty days of the due date.
5.	All essays submitted become the property of the Paralegal Studies Program. Final judging will be conducted by a panel consisting of members of the Paralegal Studies Program faculty, administration and/or advisory board. All decisions of the panel are final.
6.	Scholarship applicants need not have applied to the Paralegal Studies Program to be eligible for this competition. However, winners must submit an application by August 15, 2013. Scholarship winners must satisfy all requirements for admission to the Paralegal Studies Program.
7.	Scholarship awards will be applied to tuition charges only and must be used in the following semesters: Fall 2013, Spring 2014 or Summer 2014.
8.	If I am a scholarship winner, I grant permission to the Paralegal Studies Program, Roosevelt University to publish and otherwise use my essay as they see fit.
	have read, understand, and agree to abide by the above rules.
	Scholarship Applicant's Signature Date

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- 1. American energy production is skyrocketing and the United States is now the world's largest producer of natural gas. This change is being driven in part by a technique known as "fracking," short for hydraulic fracturing, which is being used to produce oil and gas trapped in dense shale rock. Hydraulic fracturing has raised alarm in many of the communities where it's used for a variety of reasons. Yet, many believe the benefits outweigh these concerns. Weigh the positives and negatives of "fracking" and discuss whether you think it should be continued in this country and why.
- 2. The Chicago Board of Education recently voted to close 50 schools, a controversial move that drew sharp criticism from the city's teachers union. The closures are intended to consolidate underutilized schools and programs and improve the education of the students. Do you think the school closures will improve the quality of education provided by the Chicago Public Schools? What suggestions do you have for improving the school system, either, in addition to the school closings or instead of closing schools?
- 3. A sharply divided Supreme Court recently decided a privacy rights challenge to taking DNA from people who are arrested. The case, Maryland v. King makes it permissible for police around the country to take DNA samples from people arrested for serious crimes. The decision is viewed as a victory for criminal investigators and victims' rights advocates. However, civil liberties advocates believe the decision comes at too high a price, given the amount of personal information that a DNA sample can give the government. Do you agree with the Supreme Court's decision in this case? Why or why not?

<u>FIRST PLACE</u>
ONE \$3,000 TUITION SCHOLARSHIP

<u>SECOND PLACE</u> THREE \$1,000 TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS

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