

FANS Law and Politics Call for Editors

The Fandom and Neomedia Studies (FANS) Association, an internationally recognized academic organization, invites applications for membership in its Law and Politics Studies Area with this Call for Editors. This group will examine the interconnections between fandom and media on the one hand and politics and law on the other. “How is political culture played out in the media?” “How is law (mis)represented in fiction?” and similar questions will fit into this field.

Topics that fit into this area include but are not limited to:

- Twitter politics
- Representations of law in cinema and television
- Legal dramas
- Fictional lawyers or politicians
- Fiction by lawyers or politicians
- Media and copyright law
- Legal and political satire
- Relationships between lawyers, politicians, and the media
- First Amendment and the arts
- First Amendment and fandom
- Censorship
- Fair use doctrine
- Intellectual property
- Piracy

While anyone, committee members and non-members alike, may submit papers for considerations, there are a few qualifications for committee applicants.

Applicants must be current or retired lawyers in good standing, current or retired elected or appointed government officials in good standing, or current or retired professors of law or politics, or have or be pursuing an advanced degree in law or political science, or former senior official in a political campaign. The chair of the committee must be a currently practicing lawyer, professor, or government official. Persons from all nations are eligible to join the committee.

Principle duties of committee members:

- Preparing an annual call for papers (CFP) for the FANS Conference and our peer-reviewed, open access journal, *The Phoenix Papers* (ISSN 2325-2316)
- Promulgation and/or publication of same in relevant venues
- Reviewing submitted papers and voting on acceptance
- Editing accepted papers per the FANS Style Guide

To be considered for editorial committee membership, please submit a full professional CV/resume to: FANSConf.LP@gmail.com. FANS Law and Politics will go live in August 2017 or when the committee is fully established, whichever happens first.

Committee Members:

- James Houston Bales, University of Kansas School of Law, *Chair Pro Tem*
- Zachary Carlton, New England Law, Boston
- J. Holder Bennett, FANS Chair