

**ENVIRONMENTAL LAW REVIEW SYNDICATE (“ELRS”)  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**Purpose.**

The below signed student-run environmental law journals (“member Environmental Law Reviews”) enter into this Memorandum of Understanding to facilitate and implement a relationship pursuant to which the member Environmental Law Reviews will voluntarily syndicate student-written articles on their websites in an effort titled the “Environmental Law Review Syndicate” (“ELRS”).

**Membership.**

- All American law journals with a focus on environmental law (broadly defined) are eligible to join ELRS.
- Non-member journals should contact the ELRS Leadership Committee at [ELRSyndicate@gmail.com](mailto:ELRSyndicate@gmail.com) to inquire about joining.
- With the Leadership Committee’s approval, a prospective member Environmental Law Review must have its representatives sign this MOU to join ELRS.

**Administration.**

- A Leadership Committee consisting of all interested member Environmental Law Reviews will coordinate the relationship. Initially, the Leadership Committee will consist of the Georgetown Environmental Law Review, Harvard Environmental Law Review, NYU Environmental Law Journal, Environmental Law (Lewis & Clark), and Vermont Journal of Environmental Law. Thereafter, any member Environmental Law Reviews may join (or leave) the Leadership Committee.
- The Leadership Committee will establish guidelines to coordinate ELRS, and may revise the agreed upon Rights and Responsibilities of Member Environmental Law Reviews (“Rights and Responsibilities”) in this MOU. The Leadership Committee must unanimously agree to new guidelines or Rights and Responsibilities before they take effect. Any revision of the Rights and Responsibilities shall warrant an update of this MOU without necessitating new signatures by member Environmental Law Reviews and shall be labeled with their date of enactment.
- This MOU is not intended to create any right or responsibility that is enforceable at law by or against any member Environmental Law Review.

**Other Matters.**

- Member Environmental Law Reviews may explore additional opportunities for collaboration, such as a centralized website for hosting ELRS or cross-journal discussion.

## **Rights and Responsibilities of Member Environmental Law Reviews.**

- *Contribute:* Each member Environmental Law Review shall produce at least one student-written article for ELRS per semester (i.e., one article between August and December, another article between January and May). Journals sign up for syndication weeks at the beginning of each semester. Each journal should post its article on its own website, then email the ELRS Submissions listserv with a hyperlink to the original post and attach the article in a Word document by 5pm on the Friday before their syndication weeks. The article must not have been published previously in any other medium, but may be adapted from work that was previously submitted for academic credit. The article may be about any issue related to environmental law; each journal has full discretion over the substance of the article that it contributes to ELRS. However, journals shall avoid blatant self-promotion (e.g., “Ten Reasons Why You Should Attend XELR’s Symposium”) and aim to contribute an article that could spark discussion with other students of environmental law. Short- to medium-length blog posts are preferred, and under no circumstances should a syndicated article exceed 5,000 words. Articles may be edited and formatted according to the contributing journal’s preferences. Contributing journals are encouraged to enable commenting on their websites for the original posts of their submissions.
- *Syndicate:* Each member Environmental Law Review shall publish an ELRS submission on its website or blog by noon on Monday of the article’s publication week. (Journals that use WordPress are encouraged to use the “Schedule for…” feature rather than wait and use “Publish immediately.”) Each syndicating journal should respect the integrity of the original post and publish ELRS articles without modification (using the same images, italicization or underlining, citation conventions, etc.) to the extent possible without modifying the syndicating journal’s default visual style (font family, text size, etc.). Each syndicating journal shall clearly label other journals’ articles as part of ELRS (e.g., under a header saying “Environmental Law Review Syndicate” or “ELRS,” using a title convention such as “Sample Article Title [ELRS],” and/or labeling the post with an appropriate tag or category). Each syndicating journal shall also include in each syndicated post a byline that is formatted according to the following example: “Jane Doe is a 3L at Example Law School, where she is an Executive Editor for the Example Environmental Law Review. This post is part of the [Environmental Law Review Syndicate](#) [optional hyperlink to a website with more information about ELRS]. Click [here](#) to see the original post and leave a comment [hyperlink to the original journal’s post].” Syndicating journals are encouraged to manually disable commenting on each of their ELRS syndication posts to encourage readers to consolidate comments on the contributing journal’s original post.
- *Credit:* Member Environmental Law Reviews agree to give credit to ELRS for all articles syndicated through ELRS (even articles that the journals contributed). When citing to an ELRS article online or in their print journals, the member Environmental Law Reviews shall include a link to the original article on the contributing journal’s website and shall use a parallel citation to ELRS modeled on Bluebook Rule 18.5.1: “*syndicated on* ENVTL. L. REV. SYNDICATE”. For example: Sample Student, *Amazing Article*, EXCELLENT ENVTL. L. REV. (Mar. 27, 2016, 12:00 AM), *syndicated on* ENVTL. L. REV. SYNDICATE, [http://excellentelr.com/amazing\\_article](http://excellentelr.com/amazing_article).
- *Copyright:* Each journal retains the copyright for every article it submits to ELRS.

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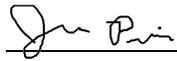
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