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CALL FOR DEBATE

The Yale Law Journal announces a unique call for submissions. Hoping to enliven legal discourse through forthright engagement between academics, the *Journal* seeks to publish two Articles engaged in a dialogue on a single compelling legal topic. Selected Articles will be published in the same issue in the spring of 2007.

Because we would like the Articles to speak to each other, we strongly encourage scholars to submit pieces in development rather than completed pieces ready for submission and publication. We are particularly interested in thoroughly researched but partially written pieces that will evolve in response to one another. That said, we are willing to consider fully developed pieces already suitable for submission as Articles or Essays if the authors are willing to edit their pieces to respond to each other. The pieces will be selected on their scholarly merits and their likelihood of provoking debate. Each Article, once completed, should be between 20,000 and 25,000 words in length, including footnotes.

Interested authors should seek out a colleague in their field with a differing viewpoint who will join them in this project. For excellent examples of such debates, see John Manning, *Textualism and the Equity of the Statute*, 101 COLUM. L. REV. 1 (2001); William N. Eskridge, Jr., *All About Words: Early Understandings of the "Judicial Power" in Statutory Interpretation, 1776-1806*, 101 COLUM. L. REV. 990 (2001); and John Manning, *Deriving Rules of Statutory Interpretation from the Constitution*, 101 COLUM. L. REV. 1648 (2001) or see Cass R. Sunstein & Adrian Vermeule, *Is Capital Punishment Morally Required? Acts, Omissions, and Life-Life Tradeoffs*, 58 STAN. L. REV. 703 (2005); Carol S. Steiker, *No, Capital Punishment Is Not Morally Required: Deterrence, Deontology, and the Death Penalty*, 58 STAN. L. REV. 751 (2005); John J. Donohue & Justin Wolfers, *Uses and Abuses of Empirical Evidence in the Death Penalty Debate*, 58 STAN. L. REV. 791 (2005); and Cass R. Sunstein & Adrian Vermeule, *Deterring Murder: A Reply*, 58 STAN. L. REV. 847 (2005). There is no subject matter limitation for submissions, but the topic should be both contentious and suitable to thorough and engaging discussion.

Each submission should include a partially developed paper of at least 5000 words and the author's curriculum vitae. The interlocutor should include a prospectus of at least 1200 words, as well as a curriculum vitae. Please send proposals via e-mail in MS Word format to the Features & Symposium Committee at features@yalelawjournal.org. The subject line should read: Debate Proposal: [Title]. All submissions must be received by **August 1, 2006**, and the *Journal* will respond by August 15.