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3. The total number of pages in my article shall be
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   25 pages □
   50 pages □
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   A Commentary □
   An Essay □
   A Note □
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   A Modest Contribution to Twentieth-Century Legal Thought □

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   600 footnotes □
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6. The kind of footnote I prefer is
   Citations with confusing parenthetical comments □
   Learned textual amplification of citations □
   More words in the footnotes than in the text □

7. There shall be at least 10 footnotes citing
   Coase □
   Hegel □
   Note □
   Wittgenstein □

8. There shall be at least 5 footnotes citing
   MacKinnon □
   Scalia □
   Epstein □
   Posner □
   Aristotle □

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   Bork □
   D'Amato □
   Dershowitz □
   Estrich □
   Kennedy (any Kennedy) □

10. I want my footnotes to be
    Bluebooked □
    Whitebooked □
    Greenbooked □
    Anybooked □
11. Case citations shall be to
   - Federal courts
   - State courts
   - Municipal courts
   - Inferior courts
   - Tennis courts

12. The mode of analysis shall primarily be
   - Interdepartmental
   - Cross-cultural
   - Economic:
     - Macro
     - Micro
     - Mucro
   - Philosophical:
     - Contemporary
     - Pseudo
     - Linguistic
   - Psychosomatic
   - Sociobiological

13. The text shall include
   - Graphs
   - Equations:
     - The kind with $\Sigma$
     - The kind with $\geq$
   - A generous sampling of Internet pornography
14. The title of my article shall be

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Law and Cosmology ◐
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Rule 10B-5 Does Not Apply to Corporations ◐
Sections 243(c)–(f) of the UCC Should Be Renumbered ◐
Should Selfish Genes Be Penalized for Failure to Warn? ◐
The Importance of Legislating Against Global Meltdown ◐
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Word-Counts of Leading Law Professors ◐

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III ◐
Esq. ◐
Inc. ◐
Ltd. ◐
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   A brief table of contents ☐
   Let the reader fend for herself ☐

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   Taking up a collection ☐

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   Were inserted at the last minute by the editors ☐
   Are due solely to human error ☐

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   In the third person ☐
   Change randomly from first to third ☐

22. I prefer
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   Stream of consciousness ☐
   Just to tell a story ☐
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   Dear reader □
   You □
   Sister □

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     100 years □
     25 years □
     Weeks □
   Presents a compelling new paradigm for legal thought □
   Addresses the most important issue facing law review editors today □

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   Reader-friendly □
   Esoteric □
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   Controversial □

26. The tone of my article should be
   Folksy □
   Stuffy □
   Deconstructive □
   Vicious □

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   3 □
   1 □
   0 □

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   Ignore it □
   Praise it if the author is in a law school that ranks higher than mine □
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   Heart □
   Hope □
   Humility □
   Supreme self-confidence □
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   Draft appropriate legislation ☐
   Consult my other publications ☐

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   Grammar-check ☐
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