

Vermont Bar Journal

Submission Standards

Thank you for your interest in writing for the Vermont Bar Journal. It is advisable, though not required, to query in advance of submitting an article. Articles for the *Vermont Bar Journal* should generally conform to the following specifications.

Length

Manuscripts should generally be between 500 and 2500 words in length. A single, double-spaced page with one-inch margins, using regular size 12 font is approximately 285 words. Longer manuscripts will be considered, but we reserve the right to edit all manuscripts for length and content.

Format

Authors should submit files in Microsoft Word as an attachment to an email.

Articles should conform to the Blue Book *Uniform System of Citation* (21st ed.). Source references and short subordinate comments should be put in **endnotes** (not footnotes). When citing Web sites, links to the exact page cited, not merely the home page, should be given. For the body of the article, AP style should be followed.

Book Reviews should include the price, publisher, place of publication, year, and number of pages.

Biographical Information

Authors should provide a short biographical note, in not more than fifty words, for inclusion with their submission. Please indicate any specialty area in which you practice.

Deadlines

Deadlines for submission of written materials to the *Journal* are as follows:

Y Spring issue	March 6
Y Summer issue	June 6
Y Fall issue	Sept. 6
Y Winter issue	Dec. 6

We reserve the right to edit all manuscripts submitted. Please plan on being available to discuss possible editorial changes. The VBJ goes to an audience with diverse views. We don't generally print opinion pieces. If we do, both sides of a controversy may be required to be represented. Memoirs or similar material which include details of an attorney's representation of client(s) are problematic, given Rules 1.6 and 1.9 of Professional Conduct. Written authorization from the client indicating that they have given informed consent to share such information may be required. Recall that the duty of confidentiality continues after the client-lawyer relationship has terminated. See Rule 1.9(c)(2).

Submissions are always welcome, but even where previously discussed, we reserve the right to decline an article if it doesn't meet editorial requirements or standards.