

CPR Y-ADR Annual Award for Efficient and Effective Collaboration Between Corporate Counsel and Outside Counsel

Competition Rules

1. **Eligibility:** Lawyers who are 45 years old or younger or have less than eight years of professional experience in international alternative dispute resolution (“ADR”) practice, including, but not limited to, as counsel, client, arbitrator, mediator, tribunal secretary, or law clerk, are eligible to compete in the CPR Y-ADR Annual Award for Efficient and Effective Collaboration Between Corporate Counsel and Outside Counsel (“CPR Y-ADR Annual Award”) competition (the “Competition”).¹
2. **Topic:** Entries must address one of the following two topics relating to how corporate counsel and outside counsel can work together efficiently and effectively:
 - **Topic 1:** Describe a way in which corporate counsel and outside counsel can work together more efficiently and/or effectively in an ADR proceeding.
 - **Topic 2:** Describe an experience in which you, as either a corporate counsel or an outside counsel, successfully worked together in an ADR proceeding with an outside counsel or a corporate counsel in an efficient and/or effective manner.
 - **Topic 3:** What innovation could improve efficiency and/or cost-effectiveness of commercial dispute prevention/resolution?
3. **Length:** Each entry must be between 2,000 and 3,000 words
4. **Entry Deadline:** The deadline for receipt of entries for the 2019 CPR Y-ADR Annual Award is 11:59 PM EST on **Sunday, December 1, 2019**. Entries received after that date will not be accepted for consideration.
5. **Submissions:** All entries are to be written in English and submitted via e-mail to YADRAward@cpradr.org. Entries will not be accepted by any other means. Each entry must be submitted as a Microsoft Word document and include the entrant’s name, company or firm affiliation (if any), e-mail address, and mailing address. Entries may be co-authored by two individuals consisting of one corporate counsel and one outside counsel.
6. **Sponsors:** The sponsors of the 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 CPR Y-ADR Annual Awards are Assurant, GlaxoSmithKline and White & Case LLP (the “Sponsors”).

¹ Employees of CPR, employees of the Sponsors (as defined herein), members of the Y-ADR Steering Committee, members of the Panel of Judges (as defined herein), and members of the editorial board of *Alternatives* are not eligible to participate in the Competition.

7. Panel of Judges: The Panel of Judges shall be comprised of the President of the Panel of Judges (the “President”) and Panel Judges. The President may be one of the Co-Chairs of the Y-ADR Steering Committee. The Panel Judges may include the Editor of *Alternatives* and representatives from the Sponsors, CPR, the Y-ADR Steering Committee, and CPR corporate Members and law firm Members.
8. Panel Decisions: The Panel of Judges shall blind review the submissions and award prizes by a majority decision. Failing a majority decision on any issue, the President shall decide that issue.
9. Disputes: The President of the Panel of Judges shall be the final arbiter on all questions regarding entries, judging, the interpretation of the rules, and any other aspects of the Competition.
10. Prize: Each year, the winner of the Competition shall be formally recognized at the upcoming CPR Annual Meeting and receive a certificate signed by the President of the Panel of Judges.² The winner’s registration fee for CPR’s Annual Meeting shall be waived and the winner shall be reimbursed for his or her travel expenses of up to US\$ 1,500. In the event that the winning entry is co-authored, each of the co-authors’ registration fees for CPR’s Annual Meeting shall be waived and the co-authors jointly shall be reimbursed for their combined travel expenses of up to US\$ 1,500 (or up to US\$ 750 per co-author).
11. Publication: The winning entry will be published in *Alternatives* and recognized as the winning entry of the CPR Y-ADR Annual Award. Other entries also may be considered for publication. The decision whether to publish any entry is made by the Editor of *Alternatives* at its sole discretion. For the purpose of publication, the Editor of *Alternatives* may edit entries, although the edited versions will not be used for purposes of judging. By submitting an entry for the Competition, each author gives *Alternatives* all rights, including express permission to edit and publish the entry in all media without limitation and without any other notice.

² The Panel of Judges may decline to declare an entry as the winner entry or to award any prize if, in its sole discretion, the Panel concludes that no entry of sufficiently high quality has been submitted.