

# October Notes & Comments Pool Submission Checklist

Before submitting your Note or Comment, make sure all of the boxes are checked.

## 1. Substantive Submission Document

- **Contains**
  - Cover page(s)
  - The body of your Note or Comment
  
- **Style & Formatting**
  - Used the **Bluebook** style guild for your footnotes, rather than any other style guide.
  - Used one-inch margins.
  - Used double-spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font.
  - Used single-spaced footnotes rather than endnotes for citations and references.
  
- **Identifying Information**
  - Removed your name or any other piece of identifying information embedded in the body document (including any references to the author's demographic information).
  - Removed identifying information typically included at the beginning of a Note or Comment in a \* footnote, such as class information, Notes and Comment Advisors, or professors that assisted in the drafting and editing of the submission.
  
- **Cover Page(s)**
  - Included the title of your submission.
  - Included a single-spaced abstract of approximately 250 words, or fewer, which briefly summarizes the argument of the submission.
  - Included a table of contents.
  - Included a list of the five secondary sources most related to the work. This list should not include cases or statutes.
  - Included the word count of the submission, both with and without footnotes.
  - If resubmitting a Note or Comment previously submitted to the *Virginia Law Review*, included a brief description of the substantive changes made.

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  - In Word 2010, 2013, 2016: Go to File, select “Info”, click on “Check for Issues”, click on “Inspect Document”. In the dialog box, click “Remove All” and close box. Save document.
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### 2. Identification Document

- **Document Information**
  - Included name, phone number, email address, and mailing address.
  - Included the title of the Note or Comment.
  - Included a signed statement that the Note or Comment was substantially written during law school. Electronic signatures are acceptable.
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