THE DUKE LAW JOURNAL 36TH ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW CONFERENCE

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Duke Law Journal’s Thirty-Sixth Annual Administrative Law Conference will consider the administrative law issues raised by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The conference will be held at the Duke University School of Law on March 24, 2006.

The death and destruction wreaked by these hurricanes has shocked and saddened all of us. The events surrounding these catastrophic events have also brought a number of important administrative law issues into sharp relief. For example, important questions remain to be answered about federalism, including the legal limits on federal involvement and the proper resolution of conflicts between federal and state agencies in crisis scenarios; the intertwined history of domestic crises and the growth of the administrative state; judicial review of administrative decisions made under crisis conditions; governmental liability for pre-crisis administrative failings or post-crisis responses; emergency powers in times of domestic emergency; and the role of race and class in administrative responses to catastrophe.

The Duke Law Journal hopes to provide a forum for exceptional papers addressing one or more of the administrative law issues raised by the hurricanes and their aftermath, or more generally on administrative law and emergency preparedness and response. The Journal is interested in papers from a variety of disciplines, including law, political science, and public policy, with participants to be chosen through a competitive selection process.

If you would like to participate, please submit a short (no more than 1,500 words) overview of the topic you propose to address. Proposal submissions should be sent to dlj@law.duke.edu or mailed to the address above. All submissions should be accompanied by a C.V. and an indication of the author’s availability on the conference date. The deadline for these proposals is October 31, 2005.

Authors of accepted proposals will be expected to develop their ideas into scholarly papers of no more than 20,000 words, including footnotes. Completed papers will also be circulated among the participants to facilitate discussion at the Conference; discussion-quality drafts of accepted papers will therefore be due to the Journal by February 1, 2006.

If you have any questions, please contact the Duke Law Journal at dlj@law.duke.edu. We look forward to reading your submissions.