



**KENYATTA UNIVERSITY  
SCHOOL OF LAW**

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**THE KU LAW REVIEW JOURNAL EDITORIAL  
POLICY AND STYLE GUIDE**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The KU Law Review is an annual publication, peer reviewed, and student-edited journal published by the Kenyatta University School of Law, (KUSOL). Its main objective is to enhance academic interactions in the legal field by putting out scholarly writings that not only attempts to challenge the status quo, but that also examine different perspectives of the issues identified by the Editorial Board. The aim of the journal is to offer practical legal solutions that can lead to legal reforms.

## **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

### *1. Accepted publications for the KU Law Review.*

- Articles: Should not be more than 7, 000 words
- Case Commentaries: Should not be more than 3,000 words.
- Legislative and Policy Commentaries: Should not be more than 5,000 words.

### *2. Submission Rules.*

- All submissions must be accompanied by a Statement of Declaration stating that the material is not under consideration elsewhere, and that it has not been published or pending publication elsewhere.
- All submissions must be accompanied by an Abstract of not more than 200 words.
- The author's name should appear under the title, asterisked together with the designation.
- The submissions will be examined on plagiarism. A paper in violation of this policy will be subjected to rejection.

## **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

### ***1. Citation***

The submission should adhere to the KUSOL Reference Style and the KUSOL Law Review Editorial Policy Guidelines.

### ***2. Structure and Format***

The submissions must be in Times New Roman, Font Size 12, Line Spacing 1.5 and Justified Alignment.

Footnotes in the submission must be in Times New Roman, Font Size 10, Line Spacing 1.0 and Left Aligned.

### ***3. Foreign Words, Phrases and Emphasis***

All should be italicized.

### ***4. Listings***

To list use lower case Roman numerals with brackets. For instance. (i)

### ***5. Quotation***

All quotation marks should be single marks.

### ***6. Language***

Submissions should use British English throughout. ( ‘-ise and NOT ‘-ize’)

### ***7. Numbers***

All numbers between 1-10 should be presented in words.

### ***8. Dates***

Dates should be written in British format and without the superscript as ‘2 March 2021.’

**9. Symbols**

Should be sparingly used, and their meanings should be spelt out wherever possible.

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## **THE REVIEW PROCESS**

- The Review is published annually, and submissions are accepted pursuant to a Call for Papers. The Process thus starts when the papers are received after the DEADLINE for the Call for Papers lapses.
- An initial evaluation is done on the manuscript. Here, the Managing Editor will screen all submissions to determine compliance with the call for Papers, the editorial policy, and the referencing style. The Papers that meet this criterion are passed on for consideration for peer review.
- The manuscripts deemed suitable for peer review are passed to an external peer reviewer.
- All authors will be notified of the Board's decision once the review process is completed.

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