Call for Papers: The Caribbean Law Review, Volume 20: Issue 1 (2022), Theme: 'Racialisation and Racism: Pillars or Perversions of the Law?'

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1- Concept

Race is a central motif in the Caribbean, the Americas, and the world, paradoxically both a hyper-visible and hidden fulcrum. It is significant across scales, shaping the internal organisation of societies, the relationships between

states, and the organisation of the global order. For its part, law is a central device in the constitution and transformation of these relations across scales. Despite the ubiquity of race in lived experiences and the rich tradition of interrogating race in the academy, analyses of the relationship between racialisation, racism, and the law are uncommon.

In our forthcoming issue—Racialisation and Racism: Pillars or Perversions of the Law? — the Caribbean Law Review will explore the role of law in the constitution, thwarting, and transformation of racism. Where do we locate the law in these practices? Does it sit above, below, or between systems of racialisation and racism? Is racialisation an anthropological, legal, economic, or epistemological process? Is it all of them? How do legal scholars theorise racism, and how do we connect it to other isms? Pragmatically, how may engagement with race transform questions of policy, law-making, and legislative design or, more generally, how we do law?

To provide a broader sense of law's relationship to issues of race, we invite reflections on these themes. Our preference is for contributions from scholars who share our two premises. First, they recognise that law and race are co-constituted, and, second, they believe in interdisciplinarity in their engagement with the topic. We will consider all submissions that excavate law's relationship to race, and are especially interested in submissions that touch upon the law's relationship to:

- Law and Practices / Processes of Racialisation
- Law, Racism, and Epistemology
- Law and Racial Capitalism
- Law in / as (Anti-) Racist Struggle
- Law, Race, and Post-Colonial Theory

We welcome submissions from public, private, and international law scholars, practitioners, and postgraduate students. We also encourage submissions that consider connections with the Caribbean and engagement with scholarship and realities from across the region.

2- Timeline

We aim to publish the issue in January-February 2022. Please account for the following stages when deciding if you wish to contribute.

31 March 2021: Prospective contributors submit abstracts of less than 500 words in which they outline the topic they wish to explore as it pertains to this call for papers. To counter letterhead bias, our editorial committee will anonymise the submissions before selecting eight (8) preferred pieces. We also welcome proposals for pedagogical reflections, book reviews, and case notes that pertain to the issue's themes.

15 April 2021: The CLR will notify successful contributors and invite the preparation of articles ranging between 6-8000 words (alongside the shorter pieces). You may download our style guide from our forthcoming website (April 2021).

31 August 2021: Firm deadline by which authors must submit their manuscripts via the CLR's submission platform.

30 September 2021: Editors circulate peer reviews to authors to finalise the papers.

31 October 2021: Authors return revised manuscripts.

January-February 2022: The CLR publishes Volume 20: Issue 1.

Please email your abstracts and proposals to lawdean@cavehill.uwi.edu by **31 March 2021**. Please include a brief biography as well as contact details.

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