Special Issue

Animal Advocacy: Legal Status, Rights & Responsibilities

Message from the Guest Editor

This issue entitled "Animal Advocacy: Legal Status, Rights, and Responsibilities" is devoted to papers relating to animals with a particular focus on the progression of thinking or law relating to animals' status, and our consideration of their interests. The issue will also consider papers focusing on methods of driving the reform process for example those that describe animal advocacy work. There is a growing recognition of the impact of human-animal relationships and our industries using animals. These considerations may be apparent through advancing philosophical thinking around animals, campaigning for law reform or disseminating awareness of issues to drive consumer pressure on industries. I invite authors to submit original or review manuscripts which may consider legal reforms around animal status, the history of animal legal reform, philosophical analysis of our relationships with animals, societal attitudes toward animal status, and practical considerations for animal advocates. I particularly encourage papers embracing a transdisciplinary approach which is likely to accelerate understanding and reform.

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