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STUDENT SYMPOSIUM SENTENCE REVIEW IN LOUISIANA

INTRODUCTION

The "excessive punishment" prohibition has been a part of the Louisiana Constitution since 1974, and in recent years legislative and jurisprudential guidelines have been developed to facilitate review of capital and non-capital sentences. However, the subject of appellate review of sentences remains controversial and often complex.

In the symposium which follows, the student authors have greatly contributed to an understanding of this difficult area of criminal justice. Through thorough research and detailed analysis, the authors provide significant insight into the handling of both capital and non-capital sentence review by the court. In addition, they suggest an analytical framework for use in future cases. These contributions will be very helpful to both the bench and bar, and particularly to the judges of the Louisiana Courts of Appeal who soon will assume jurisdiction over criminal matters.

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