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## Second Annual Report to The Editor-In-Chief

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## SECOND ANNUAL REPORT TO THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I submit this second report on the *Annual Con Law Haiku Writing Competition* in Section A for Fall Semester 2022 at the Florida International University College of Law. Last year's *Report* explained how I challenge my 1L students to write a constitutional law haiku to keep a long tradition in my course and to pay homage to the creativity on display in the genre of con law haikus:<sup>1</sup>

How creative are you? How much are you into Con Law? Write a Con Law Haiku. A haiku records a singular experience, the haiku moment—often referred to as an “aha!” moment—when we realize a subtle, hidden, or unexpected significance in something around us. The study of constitutional law will afford you frequent and numerous haiku moments. Record one of yours in the traditional format of a single stanza made up of three lines of 5-7-5 syllables. You can write about an opinion, a case, a justice, a doctrine, a concept, or any other aspect of your study. Post your Con Law Haiku on the Canvas site to express yourself—put the title of your poem in the subject line. Read the Haikus of your colleagues for fun and inspiration and enjoy a moment of Con Law Zen.

Here, my gentle reader, are this year's winning poems which I hope will grant you your own moment of Zen:

### *Constitutional Interpretation*

by Jordan Carter

Founders or future  
The Constitution's the prize  
The battles rage on

### *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*

by Faitherly Caudio

Disappointment burns  
Burns bright to fight dying light  
I will bear the pain

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<sup>1</sup> Thomas E. Baker, *Report to the Editor-in-Chief of the FIU Law Review*, 16 FIU L. REV. vii–ix (2022).

*Constitutional Respect*  
by Noah Netko

Unalienable  
For our greater wellbeing  
The Constitution

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>2</sup> See generally *Biography of Thomas E. Baker*, FIU LAW, <https://law.fiu.edu/directory/thomas-e-baker/> (last visited Nov. 1, 2022).