Behavioral Sciences and the Law:

Special Issue on *The Use of Statistics in Criminal Cases*

**Call for Papers**

*Behavioral Sciences & the Law* announces a forthcoming special issue on *The Use of Statistics in Criminal Cases*, to be edited by Christopher Slobogin, J.D., LL.M., a senior editor for the journal. James R. Andretta, Ph.D. will assist in coordinating and editing the special issue. We highly encourage cross-disciplinary collaboration among social scientists, legal scholars, and statisticians. For this reason, we are providing a Google Docs forum for individuals interested in the topic to locate potential collaborators:

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Original research reports, literature reviews and policy papers that address the following issues are especially welcome: (1) use, misuse, abuse or potential uses of statistics in cases involving jury selection, risk assessment, policing, DNA analysis, or any other area of criminal law; (2) how judges have applied (or should apply) statistics to their gatekeeping function; (3) best practices for relying on and describing statistics in expert witness testimony; (4) the teaching and instruction of statistics across the varied programs that prepare professionals to work on criminal cases; (5) agency and relevant association standards for the reporting and interpretation of statistics in criminal cases; (6) how statistical standards might be used to determine the admissibility of empirical research in expert witness testimony.

Manuscripts should be 20 to 30 doubled-spaced typewritten pages and should comply with the editorial and referencing style of the most recent edition of the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* or the Harvard law Review’s *The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation* (but not both). Specific stylistic requirements can be found in a recent copy of the journal, or can be obtained via direct communication with the journal’s editors (Chris Slobogin, Charles Ewing and Alan Felthous).

To expedite processing, submit your manuscript electronically. Authors should use e-mail attachment, with the manuscript readable in Windows-based MS Word or Word Perfect formats. Manuscripts must be received before **September 1, 2018**. Please submit electronically to:

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