**FORM B: ABDC 2013 JOURNALS LIST REVIEW**
**RATING DOWNGRADE SUBMISSION**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT:** FORM B is designed to formalise requests to the ABDC Journals Review Panel 2013 seeking a downgrade in rating of an academic journal which is currently included and rated in the **ABDC 2010** list e.g. seeking a drop in rating from an "A" to a "B" journal. Please complete a separate form relating to each journal for which you wish to make a submission of this type. Complete this form also, if there is a currently listed journal which you believe does not meet minimum research quality thresholds and should therefore be removed from the ABDC lists (e.g. because it is a "predatory" open access journal).

**Journal Title:** Rutgers Computer and Technology Law Journal

**QB1. FIELD of RESEARCH (FoR) PANEL** to which this request is directed (tick one box only):

- [ ] 0806 Information Systems
- [ ] 1401-1499 Economics
- [ ] 1501 Accounting
- [ ] 1502 Finance
- [ ] 1503 Management
- [ ] 1504-07 Marketing/Tourism/Logistics
- [ ] 180105/1801025 Business and Taxation Law

**QB2. WHAT ABDC 2013 RATING DO YOU PROPOSE FOR THIS JOURNAL?**

- [ ] A*  - [ ] A  - [ ] B  - [ ] C  - [ ] remove from ABDC list

** QB3. WHAT ABDC 2010 RATING WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?**

- [ ] A*  - [ ] A  - [ ] B  - [ ] C

** QB4. WHAT ERA 2010 RATING WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?**

- [ ] A*  - [ ] A  - [ ] B  - [ ] C  - [ ] not applicable

** QB5. NOMINATE "THE BEST" COMPARATOR JOURNAL** (journal from the ABDC 2010 list that is most similar in research quality):

Northwestern Journal of International Law & Business

** QB6. JOURNAL INFORMATION**

- **Editor’s Name:** N/A
- **Institution:** State University of New Jersey
- **Web Address:** [http://www.rctlj.org/about-rctlj/](http://www.rctlj.org/about-rctlj/)

**NATURE OF SUBMISSION**

**QB7. Primary submitter type (tick one box only)**

- [ ] Higher Education Institutional Submission (e.g. formal submission from Business Faculty/School)
- [ ] Peak Body Submission (e.g. AFAANZ, ANZAM)
- [ ] Individual Submission

**QB8. Primary submitter:** BTL panel

**Institutional Affiliation:**

**QB9. Are there other signatories to this submission?**

- [ ] Yes  - [ ] No

If yes, how many signatories are there (including the primary submitter)?
The BTL panel is of the view that this journal should be downgraded on the ABDC 2013 list from an "A" ranked journal to a "B" journal.

It is noted that the journal was rated "C" by the College of Law Deans in 2009 and by the Australian Research Council in 2010.

The journal is published by a student-based organization of the State University of New Jersey. It does not meet the required academic quality expected of an A level journal. It generally provides summaries of and commentary on latest developments with few articles containing critical analysis and/or evidence of extensive research.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: APPENDIX CHECKLIST

The ABDC invites further supplementary and supporting information to be submitted by way of appendices.

QB11. What supplementary information are you supplying (by way of appendices) to support your submission?

The following documents are attached in support of this application (please tick boxes as relevant):

- [X] Appendix B1: List of Editorial Board Members
- Appendix B2: Description and Scope of Journal
- Appendix B3: Recommendations from eminent scholars in the relevant field
- Appendix B4: Comparisons with existing rated journals
- Appendix B5: Coverage in review articles
- Appendix B6: Impact Factors: SSCI or others
- Appendix B7: Other supporting documentation
- Appendix B8: Signatory Details – in cases where there are more than one signatory to the submission, list all signatory names and their university or relevant affiliations (this appendix should articulate with the answer given to QB9 above).
A1 Editorial Board

Details unavailable other than confirmation below that it is student-based.

A2 Scope of Journal (from http://www.rctlj.org/about-rctlj/)

Rutgers Computer and Technology Law Journal

ABOUT RCTLJ

The Rutgers Computer and Technology Law Journal is a student-run organization that publishes legal commentary and scholarship. The Journal publishes two issues per year in the Spring and Fall, which incorporate scholarly works from outside authors in addition to student pieces on emerging legal issues. Each piece submitted for publication is subject to an intense review process that ensures a high-quality academic product. Founded in 1969 at the Rutgers School of Law in Newark, N.J., the Journal is the oldest computer law periodical in the academic world. Since its inception, the Journal has maintained a tradition of excellence, and has designed each publication issue to foster critical discourse on the technological breakthroughs impacting the legal landscape. The Journal’s success is reflected in a subscription base of about four hundred national and international subscribers, as well as in its citation in numerous texts, articles and judicial opinions, including those of the United States Supreme Court. The Journal’s editorial and managing editorial staff is comprised of second and third year law students, who receive academic credit for their work. The editors are selected on the basis of their performance in a competitive writing competition, and each student moves into a leadership position after their first year on the journal.