



Article Submission & Management Feature

Complete Documentation



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Overview

A complete **Article Submission and Review System** for the **Law Nation** platform featuring:

- Guest article submission (no login required)
 - Admin assignment workflow
 - Editor review and approval
 - Public preview and authenticated full access
 - PDF download for logged-in users
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Features

1. Article Submission (Guest Access)

- Submit articles without creating an account
- PDF upload (max 10MB)
- Mandatory and optional fields
- Email confirmation on submission

2. Admin Management

- View all submitted articles
- Filter by status, category, author
- Assign articles to editors
- Delete articles

3. Editor Review

- Option A: Direct approval
- Option C: Upload corrected PDF → Approve
- Track revision history

4. Article Access & Visibility

- Public: Preview only (title, abstract, author)
- Logged-in: Full article access + PDF download
- Only approved articles visible to public

5. Email Notifications

- Submission confirmation
 - Editor assignment notification
 - Author status updates
 - Approval notification
 - Correction notification
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Database Schema

Article Model

```
model Article {
    id                  String      @id @default(cuid())
    authorName         String
    authorEmail        String
    authorPhone        String?
    authorOrganization String?
    title              String
    category           String
    abstract            Text
    keywords            String?
    coAuthors          Text?
    remarksToEditor   Text?
    originalPdfUrl    String
    currentPdfUrl     String
    status              ArticleStatus @default(PENDING_ADMIN REVIEW)
    assignedEditorId   String?
    assignedEditor     User?       @relation(fields: [assignedEditorId],
references: [id])
    submittedAt        DateTime   @default(now())
    reviewedAt         DateTime?
    approvedAt         DateTime?
    createdAt          DateTime   @default(now())
    updatedAt          DateTime   @updatedAt
    revisions          ArticleRevision[]
```

```
    @@index([status])
    @@index([assignedEditorId])
    @@index([authorEmail])
}
```

ArticleRevision Model

```
model ArticleRevision {
    id      String  @id @default(cuid())
    articleId String
    article  Article @relation(fields: [articleId], references: [id],
    onDelete: Cascade)
    pdfUrl   String
    uploadedBy String?
    comments  Text?
    createdAt DateTime @default(now())

    @@index([articleId])
}
```

ArticleStatus Enum

```
enum ArticleStatus {
    PENDING_ADMIN REVIEW
    ASSIGNED_TO_EDITOR
    PENDING_APPROVAL
    APPROVED
    REJECTED
}
```

🔌 API Endpoints

Public Endpoints

Submit Article (Guest)

```
POST /api/articles/submit
```

- Content-Type: multipart/form-data
- Required: pdf, authorName, authorEmail, title, category, abstract

Get Article Preview

```
GET /api/articles/:id/preview
```

Returns limited data (no PDF URLs).

Protected Endpoints (Authentication Required)

List Articles

```
GET /api/articles
```

Supports filtering, pagination, and role-based access.

Get Full Article

```
GET /api/articles/:id
```

Only returns **approved** articles.

Download Article PDF

```
GET /api/articles/:id/download
```

Returns downloadable PDF URL.

Assign Editor (Admin)

```
PATCH /api/articles/:id/assign-editor
```

Approve Article (Editor)

```
PATCH /api/articles/:id/approve
```

Upload Corrected PDF (Editor)

```
PATCH /api/articles/:id/upload-corrected
```

Delete Article (Admin)

```
DELETE /api/articles/:id
```

⌚ Workflow

1. Guest submits article → PENDING_ADMIN REVIEW

2. Admin assigns editor → **ASSIGNED_TO_EDITOR**
 3. Editor reviews
 4. Option A: Direct approve → **APPROVED**
 5. Option C: Upload correction → **PENDING_APPROVAL** → Approve
 6. Article published & visible
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Access Control

Permissions

- **article.read**
- **article.write**
- **article.delete**

Roles

Role	Capabilities
Guest	Submit & preview
Logged-in User	Full access + download
Editor	Review & approve
Admin	Full control

Email Notifications

Trigger	Recipient
Submission	Author
Editor Assignment	Editor
Status Updates	Author
Approval	Author
Correction	Author

Emails are async and non-blocking.

Setup Instructions

1. Install dependencies
2. Configure environment variables
3. Generate Prisma client
4. Create permissions
5. Assign roles

6. Start server

Testing Guide

Includes test cases for:

- Guest submission
 - Admin assignment
 - Editor approval
 - PDF download
 - Filtering & pagination
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Feature Summary

- Guest submission
 - Admin & editor workflows
 - RBAC permissions
 - Email notifications
 - Prisma + TypeScript
 - PDF storage
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Production Checklist

- SMTP credentials
 - Supabase storage
 - Permissions setup
 - Monitoring & logging
 - Frontend integration
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File Structure

```
backend/
├── prisma/
├── src/
│   ├── modules/article/
│   ├── middlewares/
│   └── utils/
└── .env
```

Status: COMPLETE

All features implemented and ready for testing and deployment.