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Table 1: Placeholder table: comparing standards of review

Standard	Consequence for the administration
Standard A	Placeholder consequence for the decision-maker.
Standard B	Placeholder consequence for the reviewing court.

3. Scope and method

The journal’s scope is deliberately broad. Depending on the article, the method may be doctrinal, comparative, empirical, institutional, or interdisci-

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