MOOT COURT SOCIETY

UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW AND LEGAL STUDIES GRAND INTRA MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2017

RULES

The Moot Court Society at the University School of Law and Legal Studies, GGSIPU with the objective of developing the skills of written and oral advocacy in law students, striving to give students exposure to court room procedure and practice, and to ensure that the best teams represent University School of Law and Legal Studies at National and International competitions, hereby adopts the following rules of procedure for selection of teams to represent the college for the academic year 2017-2018, through the Grand Intra Moot Court Competition 2017.

1. ORGANISATION OF THE COMPETITION

The Competition is presented by the Moot Court Society of University School of Law and Legal Studies. The Competition is organised and administered by the Selection Committee of the Moot Court Society.

The Selection Committee shall consist of Five (5) students nominated by the Dean in consultation with the faculty in-charge of the Moot Court Society.

All selections for the moot court competitions during the academic year 2017-2018 will be based on the Grand Intra Moot Court Competition 2017 conducted on 02.09.2017.

The Teams declared qualified in the Grand Intra Moot Court Competition shall be eligible to participate in one International and two National Moot Court Competitions in the academic year only. The team composition adopted in Grand Intra Moot Court Competition shall remain frozen for the entire year. No changes in the same shall be permitted for any reason.

A competition shall be considered an International Moot Court Competition if any of the rounds shall be conducted in a foreign country or if international teams are eligible to participate in the same irrespective of the nature of the moot proposition.

Teams are required to prepare memorials from the side allotted to them by the Moot Court Society at the time of registration.

Every member of the team will have to compulsorily take the researchers test. The overall score of the team will be determined on the basis of the sum of the scores of both the oralist, memorial score and the score of each member of the team in the researchers test.

Merit List shall be prepared according to the total scores obtained by each team in the final round. In case two teams have the same score, the tie shall be broken by the team having

the higher sum of scores of the oralists. In case the tie persists, the team having the highest individual oralist score shall be ranked higher. In case the tie still persists, the team having the higher overall score in the researchers test shall be ranked higher.

Information regarding the enlisted moots shall be sent via email to all the rank holding teams, as and when the MCS receives, information about any Moot Court Competition or an Invite for a particular moot from the organizers/host institution.

Once an invite/information is sent via email to all the rank holding teams they will be obliged to check their emails and revert with their consent/dissent within 48 hours.

In case of multiple claimants the higher ranking team shall be granted the moot. Once a team has accepted a particular moot they can only go to that specific moot and if upon a later date they decline to go for the same for any reason whatsoever, a penalty will be imposed under which they will be ranked as the last qualifying team.

In the event an invitation is received after all qualifying teams have already been exhausted from the Grand Intra Moot Court Competition 2017 another Intra Moot Court Competition may be planned and administered.

All selected teams will be mandatorily required to present their oral arguments before a panel of three faculty judges and the student convenors, at least 3 days before the competition to ensure adequate preparation. If the majority of persons feel that the team selected is under-prepared, or that a member/s of the team selected has/have not put in adequate effort towards such moot, or that sending such an under-prepared team to a competition may be detrimental to the reputation of the college, they may, in extreme cases, issue a notice restraining the member/s or the entire team from participating in the said External Moot.

To ensure that selected teams do not become complacent in their preparation, the moot court society will allow any team claiming to be better prepared than the selected team to challenge them in a knockout round. Such round will be conducted within 10 days of the application for knockout round being received by the moot court society subject to obtaining prior approval of the Dean. The selected team shall be given a notice of 7 days for the round.

The knockout round will be publicised extensively amongst students and faculty alike and maximum available faculty members will be asked to judge the knockout round.

The Selection Committee of the Moot Court Society shall serve as final arbiter of implementation and interpretation of these rules.

2. PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY

The competitions are open to all students of University School of Law and Legal Studies.

Students desirous of participating in the Grand Intra Moot Court Competition must form teams comprising of Two (2) speakers and one (1) researcher and register their teams for the Grand Intra Moot Court Competition 2017.

The teams desirous of participating in the Grand Intra Moot Court Competition 2017 shall send their registration to the Moot Court Society at mcs.uslls@gmail.com latest by 1st September 2017, 11:59pm IST.

3. ORAL ROUND PROCEDURES

Each individual in the qualifying round shall be allotted 10 minutes for oral presentation. In the final round each Team will be allotted 30 minutes. It is at team's discretion to allocate this time between the speakers. Before the start of the Oral Rounds of any Team, the Oralists of the Team shall inform the Bailiff regarding the order of speaking as well as allocation of time between themselves and the time reserved for Rebuttal. If an Oralist speaks for more than the time reserved for him/her it would result in penalty of 1 point for every 1 minute exceeded. Any extension of time beyond this specified period is subject to the discretion of the Judges. No penalty would be attracted in such a case.

The oralists are judged on the following criteria:

S.No	Criteria	Maximum Marks
1	Knowledge of Law	25
2	Application of Law to Facts	20
3	Ingenuity & ability to answer questions	30
4	Style, poise, courtesy, demeanor	15
5	Time management	10
	Total	100

Memorial Scoring

Following would be criteria for judging the memorial:

S.No	Criteria	Maximum Marks
1	Knowledge of Law and Facts	20
2	Proper and articulate analysis	20
3	Extent and use of research	20
4	Clarity and Organization	20
5	Style. Grammar and Citation of sources	20

Researchers Test

The researchers test shall consist of hundred (100) objective type questions based on the facts of the moot proposition and the law relating to the same as also knowledge relating to preparation of memorials.

Each question shall carry one (1) mark. There shall be no negative marking.

4. MISCELLANEOUS

All participants will be attired in proper dress code of formal black and white along with a tie and blazer. Any violation of dress code would attract penalty of 3 points in the Style, poise, courtesy demeanor section.

The Moot Court Society reserves the right to alter any rule in necessary circumstances. Any violation of the rules specified hereinabove would attract penalty which, could even result in disqualification of a team to participate in the competition.

For any queries or clarification, please contact the Moot Court Society at mcs.uslls@gmail.com. Moot Court Society wishes the all the very best to the participants.

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