**Department of Law**

**INNOVATIVE INSTITUTE OF LAW**

**(Affiliated with CCS University, Meerut)**

**Organizes**

**INNOVATIVE INTRA MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2023**

**14TH -15TH April, 2023**

**INNOVATIVE INTRA MOOT COURT COMPETITION RULES, 2023**

1. **INTRODUCTION**

**Short Title**: These Rules shall be called the Intra Moot Court Competition Rules, 2023.

**Definitions**: Unless otherwise stated following shall be construed herein under as:

* “Administrator” shall mean the Innovative Institute Moot Court Committee
* “Competition” means Intra Moot Court Competition, 2023.
* “Net Court Room Margin” means the aggregate of margin of victory or defeat of a team in the Preliminary Rounds
* “Participating Team” means the team which has registered itself for the competition as per the rules for registration
* “Participating Institution” shall be presumed to be the parent institution of the participating teams
* “Rules” means the Intra Moot Court Competition Rules, 2023
* “Organizers” means the Department of Law, INNOVATIVE INSTITUTE OF LAW.

1. **GENERAL RULES**

**Date**: The Competition shall be organized from April 14-15, 2023

**Dress Code**: The participants shall adhere to following dress code when present in any court room during the Competition.

**Ladies:** White salwar and kurta or white shirt and black trousers along with black coat and black shoes.

**Gentlemen:** White shirt, black trousers and black tie along with black coat and black shoes.

**Note**: The participating teams shall also adhere to the above mentioned dress code while attending the inaugural and valedictory ceremonies of the Competition.

1. **LANGUAGE**

**Language**: The language of the Competition shall be English/Hindi.

1. **ELIGIBILITY AND TEAM COMPOSITION**

**Eligibility**: The Competition shall be open to students who are –

Pursuing an integrated 5 year LL.B. programme from college or

Pursuing a 3 years LL.B. programme from college.

**Team Composition:** Each team shall consist of three members.

In the event where a team consists of three members then –

Such team shall designate two of its members as speakers and one as researcher at the time of registration itself.

1. **REGISTRATION**

**Date of Registration**: All the participating students have to confirm their participation by filling the online registration form by clicking on the below given link, <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdj5qwwlRNyCoeZRFPZC7AYDyMUZ_nI4jFCCGbXUczWm44Glw/viewform?usp=pp_url> , Before 30/03/2023 till 11.59 PM.

**Allotment of Team Code:** Every team which has successfully registered under the Rules shall be allotted a unique code after the closure of the Registration for the Competition. Once the unique code has been allotted, every team must use the team code for any communication with the Organizers during the course of the Competition.

**Change in Team Composition**: Any change in team composition must be intimated to the Organizers at the earliest. Any change must be accompanied with a registration form and an authority letter duly signed by the head of the institution. No change in team composition is allowed after registration by post.

1. **FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION**

**Draw of Lots:** The match up of teams in Preliminary Rounds shall be determined on the basis of draw of lots.

**Rounds**: The Competition is divided into –

Preliminary Rounds

Advanced Rounds

### Preliminary Rounds:

Each team shall represent only one side as decided during draw of lots**.**

### Scoring in the Preliminary Rounds:

The aggregate score of a team shall be computed as the total of –

i. Score of Speaker 1

1. Score of Speaker 2
2. Score of the memorial.
   * **Arrangement of Ranking:**

The teams in the Preliminary Rounds shall be ranked on the basis of below mentioned criteria –

1. The teams shall be first differentiated on their win-loss record after the Preliminary Rounds Net-Court Room Margin;
2. If there is a tie, the team with the higher aggregate score will be allotted the higher rank;
3. If the tie subsists, the team with the higher speaker score will be allotted the higher rank;
4. If the tie still subsists, the team with the highest individual speaker score out of speakers of tied teams will be allotted the higher rank;
5. If the tie still subsists, the team with the higher memorial score will be allotted higher rank;
   * **Results:** The results of the Preliminary Rounds shall be declared soon after the conclusion of the Preliminary Rounds. The top eight teams will qualify for the Advanced Rounds.

### Quarter-Finals:

1. The top eight teams from the Preliminary Rounds will qualify for the quarter-finals.
2. The side for the quarter-finals shall be decided by way of draw of lots.
3. The quarter-finals shall be a knock-out round.
4. The win-loss shall be decided on the basis of the aggregate speaker score.

No memorial score will be added in the Quarter-final. The win-loss shall be determined on the basis of score so computed. The team with higher aggregate score shall proceed to the Semi- final round.

### Semi-finals:

* 1. Four teams from the Quarter-Final Round shall qualify for the Semi-Finals.
  2. The side of the team shall be decided by way of the draw of lots.
  3. The semi-final shall be a knock-out round.
  4. The win-loss shall be decided on the basis of the aggregate speaker score.

No memorial score will be added in the semi-final. The win-loss shall be determined on the basis of score so computed. The team with higher aggregate score shall proceed to the final round.

### Finals:

In the final round, the win-loss shall be decided on the basis of the aggregate speaker score. No memorial score will be added in the finals. The win-loss shall be determined on the basis of score so computed.

### Deciding of Winner in Case of Tie in Advanced Rounds:

In the event of tie in advanced rounds, then –

1. The team with the highest individual speaker score out of speakers of tied teams will be allotted the higher rank;
2. If the tie still subsists, the winner of the round shall be decided by adding the score of memorials to the aggregate speaker scores;

### MEMORIALS

* 1. **Strict Adherence to Rules Regarding Memorials:** All requirements have to be strictly followed. Non-adherence to the same will attract penalty subject to the discretion of the organizers.
  2. **Memorials to be prepared from Both Sides:** Each team must prepare memorials for both sides.

### Submission of Soft Copy of Memorials:

1. The soft copies of the memorial from each side should reach the Organizers on ([mcc@innovativeinstituteoflaw.com](mailto:mcc@innovativeinstituteoflaw.com)) in .pdf format latest by 10/04/2023 before 11.59 P.M.
2. Memorials shall be sent as an attachment with the mail in the form of single file for each side of memorial.

A **penalty of 1 mark** shall be levied in case the memorial is submitted in any other format or as a multiple file by the team.

### Submission of Hard Copy of Memorials:

Three copies of the memorial from each side should reach the Organizers on the below mentioned address by before last date

**To,**

**MCC**

**Innovative Institute of Law**

**Plot No. 6, Knowledge Park – 2**

**Greater Noida-201308, Uttar Pradesh**

The teams have to carry Three copies of the memorial from each side and submit the same during formal registration.

**No Difference between Soft Copy and Hard Copy of Memorial:** The hard copy of memorial must be exact replica of the soft copy submitted with the Organizers. Any difference in the same will result in disqualification from the Competition.

### Penalty for Late Submission:

1. A penalty of 2 marks per day per side shall be deducted in case of delay in submission of soft copy of memorial.
2. A further penalty of 1 mark per day per side shall be levied in case of delay in submission of hard copy of memorial.

### General Conditions for Memorials:

1. The memorials shall not contain any form of identification apart from the team code. If any such identification or mark, symbol, etc. which has the effect of identifying the team is found on the memorial, then it shall result in instant disqualification.
2. Appellant/Petitioner memorials are required to have a Blue cover and Respondent/Accused memorials are required to have a Red cover.

A penalty of 1 mark per side shall be levied in case the team uses wrong cover page for each side of memorial.

### GUIDELINES FOR FORMATTING:

a. **Memorial Structure:** The memorial must have following pages only:

### Cover Page

1. **Table of Contents**

### List of Abbreviations

1. **Index of Authorities**

### Statement of Jurisdiction

1. **Synopsis of Facts**

### Issues Raised

1. **Summary of Arguments**

### Pleadings /Arguments Advanced

1. **Prayer**

**b. Team Code:** The team code must be ascribed on the top right corner of the cover page. The code must be preceded by the side for which the memorial is prepared. The teams must use “A” for Appellant, P for “Petitioner” and R for “Respondent.” For example: in case the Team Code is 10 the team must write “A-10” in case of memorial for Appellant and “R- 10” in case of memorial for Respondent.

**c. Font –**

* 1. **Text**

Times New Roman Font Size – 12 points Line Spacing – 1.5 Line Spacing

### Footnotes

Times New Roman Font Size – 10 points Line Spacing – Single Spaced

* 1. **Pagination:** The pagination must be done at the bottom of the page.
  2. **Margin:** A margin of 1 inch on all sides of the memorial should be left.

**d. Citation Format:** The 20th Edition of Bluebook system of citation should be followed throughout the memorial.

1. **Page Limit:** The memorial shall be of a maximum of 40 pages including the cover page and Pleadings/Arguments Advanced shall be of a maximum of 25 pages. No annexure, photographs, exhibits, etc. should be added to the memorial.

**Penalty:** A penalty of 1 mark per violation per side shall be levied in case of non - adherence with the aforementioned guidelines for formatting.

### Marking Criteria for Memorials:

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| **SR. NO.** | **MARKING CRITERIA** | **MARKS ALLOTTED** |
| 1. | Evidence of Original Thought | 20 |
| 2. | Knowledge of Law and Facts | 20 |
| 3. | Proper and Articulate Analysis | 20 |
| 4. | Structure, Language & Grammar | 15 |
| 5. | Extent and Use of Research | 15 |
| 6. | Correct format and citation | 10 |
|  | TOTAL MARKS | 100 |

1. **ORAL ROUNDS**

### Timings for the Oral Pleadings:

1. **For Preliminary, Quarter-Finals:**
   1. Each team is allotted a total of 20 minutes to present their oral arguments;
   2. The timing can be divided between both the speakers according to the wish of the team subject to a maximum of 12 minutes and minimum of 8 minutes per speaker;
   3. The time division has to be informed to the Court Master before the beginning of the oral arguments.
   4. A maximum of 5 minutes may be reserved for rebuttal or sur-rebuttal which shall be at the discretion of the judges which shall be inclusive of the above time limits.
   5. The allotment of extra time shall be at the discretion of the judges.

### Semi-Final & Final Rounds:

1. Each team is allotted a total of 25 minutes to present their oral arguments.
2. The timing can be divided between both the speakers according to the wishes of the team subject to a maximum of 15 minutes and minimum of 10 minutes per speaker.
3. The time division has to be informed to the Court Master before the beginning of the oral arguments.
4. A maximum of 5 minutes may be reserved for rebuttal or sur-rebuttal which shall be given at the discretion of the judges which shall be inclusive of the above time limits.
5. The allotment of extra time shall be at the discretion of the judges.

### Marking Criteria for the Oral Rounds:

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| SR.NO | MARKING CRITERIA | MARKS ALLOTTED |
| 1. | Knowledge and Application of Law& Facts | 20 |
| 2. | Ingenuity and Ability to answer questions | 20 |
| 3. | Style, Poise, Courtesy, Demeanour | 20 |
| 4. | Organisation and Flow of Arguments | 20 |
| 5. | Reference to Memorials | 20 |
|  | TOTAL MARKS | 100 |

1. **Levy of Maximum Penalties:** Notwithstanding anything in the rules, a maximum of 20 marks shall be deducted as penalties for violations under the Rules.
2. **Submission of Authorities**: The teams shall only submit genuine authorities from Journals or other authentic sources, or their xerox. The teams may prepare and submit Compendium of authorities before the beginning of oral arguments to the panel of Judges, otherwise they can only submit authorities with the prior permission of the panel or if demanded by the Judges.

### PENALTIES

* 1. **Scouting:** No member of any participating team shall view any other oral rounds while the team is still in the competition. If such an incident comes to the notice of the organizers then the scouting team shall be subject to disqualification. Teams may file a written complaint of scouting to the Organizers. The decision of the Organizers shall be final and binding.
  2. **Non – Disclosure of Identity:** Teams shall not disclose their identity, i.e. the name of their institution, city, etc. or any other information which has the effect of disclosing their identity and affiliation with a particular university or institution. Such disclosure shall result in disqualification subject to the discretion of the Organizers.

**Copyright:** The copyright with regard to the memorials submitted for the participation in the Competition is assigned by participants and shall also vest completely and fully with the Organizers. The participants shall certify the originality of the memorials and the materials used and shall be responsible for any claim or dispute arising out of further use and exhibition of these materials.

The Organizers shall have the right to publicly display, distribute either electronically or otherwise and they shall not be responsible for any liability to any person for any loss caused by errors or omissions in this collection of information, or for accuracy, completeness or adequacy of the information contained in these materials.

### AWARDS & PRIZES

**Awards:** The following awards shall be awarded in the Competition:

1. **Best Team:** The Team winning the final round of the Competition shall be given a trophy and a cash prize of INR 21000/-
2. **Runners Up:** the runners up team in the final round of the Competition shall be given a trophy and a cash prize of INR 11000/-
3. **Best Mooter:** The Mooter having the highest score in the competition shall be given the memento and cash prize of INR 5000/-
4. **Best Memorial:** The team having the highest average memorial score from both sides shall be given the memento and cash prize of INR 5000/-
5. **Best Researcher:** There shall be researcher test in the Department and the best performer shall be given the memento and cash prize of INR 5000/-
6. Certificate of participation and memento shall be given to all the participating teams.

### The awards, certificates of merit and certificates of participation shall be given during the valedictory ceremony to be conducted on May 1, 2023. No certificate will be given to the team before or after the valedictory function.

1. **ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD**

Accommodation and food shall be provided by the Organizers during the days of the competition to the team members in the College who have opted for it.

### MISCELLANEOUS

* 1. **Power to Amend or Alter Rules:** The rules mentioned herein are not exhaustive. The Organizers reserve the right to alter, amend or add to the rules mentioned herein at any point of time. All decisions made by Organizers in case of any disputes, doubts or related issues shall be final and binding. Imposition of all penalties including disqualification rests solely with the organizers in case of failure to comply with the rules mentioned herein.
  2. **Disclaimer:** The problem is fictitious and any resemblance to any person, living or dead, or incident, past or present, is coincidental and not intended by the author of the problem.

### FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT:

**Clarification regarding the Moot problem-**

Clarifications regarding the moot proposition will only be entertained though email. Send your queries at (mcc@innovativeinstituteoflaw.com) with subject line “Clarification for Moot Problem”.

### Note: The last date for seeking clarifications regarding the moot proposition is (5th April, 2023).

Regarding the Rules of the Competition or any other queries-

**Organizing Committee**

Anand Singh Faculty Convener: 9651499636

Rahul Singh Faculty Co- Convener: 9289554476, 9289554475

Himanshu Sharma Student Convener: 9319314629

Prakshit Sharma Student Co- Convener: 9891778222

**LIST OF IMPORTANT DATES**

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| **EVENT** | **DATE** |
| Notification of the Competition and  Release of the Moot Proposition | 20/03/2023 |
| Last Date for Seeking Clarifications | 05/04/2023 |
| Last Date of Registration Form | 30/03/2023 |
| Last Date of Submission of Soft Copy of Memorials | 10/04/2023 |
| Last Date of Submission of Hard Copy of Memorials, Registration and Travel Form | 10/04/2023 |
| Formal Registration | 14/04/2023 |
| Draw of Lots and Exchange | 14/04/2023 |
| Preliminary Rounds of Memorials | 14/04/2023 |
| Quarter Finals and Semi Finals Rounds | 14/04/2023 to 15/04/2023 |
| Final Round, Valedictory and Prize Distribution | 15/05/2023 |

Dear Students,

 This is to inform you that Your Practical Exam of LL.B. 3RD Semester: Professional Ethics, Accountability of Lawyers and Bar- Bench are to be held on **31/03/2023**. The dates for all the students are same.

**Instructions for Viva**

1. Student must be present in college campus sharp at 10:00AM.

2. Dress Code is mandatory. (Without Dress no one allowed for the viva)

3. Bring your admit card and practical file.

4. Clear all your college dues. (Defaulter will not allow entering in the viva).