



SVKM's NMIMS University
INSTITUTE OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY STUDIES
6th Annual IIPS IP Moot Court Competition
18th & 19th February 2012

MOOT COURT RULES

A. ELIGIBILITY & REGISTRATION

1. Participation is open to all law institutes/colleges in India. Each participating team should compulsorily comprise of three members consisting of two speakers and one researcher.
2. Participating teams are required to register their representatives by submitting a duly filled up registration form alongwith Demand Draft of **Rs. 1200/- as registration fee** drawn in favour of **"SVKM-NMIMS-SBM-IIPS"**. *Kindly note that a team needs to mention their contact details (name of the institute/college and telephone number) with pencil on the backside of the demand draft.* The team details must be sent to the organizers by **RPAD/speed post/fax and e-mail** (compulsorily), on or before **16th January 2012** (last date of registration). Consideration of the registration received after this date will be at the discretion of the organizers.
3. Any change in the team constitution is not permitted and can be considered on advance intimation and on genuine and compelling grounds.

B. ACCOMODATIONS

1. Teams desiring an accommodation in Mumbai should inform the organizers well in advance and submit the travel plan accordingly alongwith *a separate Demand Draft of Rs. 3000/- towards the same drawn in favour of "SVKM-NMIMS-SBM-IIPS"*. *Kindly note that a team needs to mention their contact details (name of the institute/college and telephone number) with pencil on the backside of the demand draft.*
2. Accommodation will be provided for only ONE NIGHT i.e. 18th – 19th February, 2012 with checkout on 19th February, 2012 by 07:00 pm. Those desirous of a longer stay will have to make their OWN arrangements.
3. Participants are advised to maintain the discipline and decorum during their stay, failing which strict actions would apply which may result in the eviction of the respective team.

C. MEMORIALS/ WRITTEN SUBMISSION

1. Cover page for memorial/written submissions: **Plaintiff-Blue** and **Respondent-Red**.
2. All participating teams have to submit **eight hard copies** for each side (sixteen copies) and a soft copy in PDF format on a CD. They should reach Mumbai on or before **01st February, 2012**.
3. Memorials/written submission reaching after due date will not be considered for the award of best memorial.
4. PARTICIPANTS are forewarned that they should strictly reframe from disclosing their identity ANYWHERE ON THE MEMORIALS. Also participants should always carry their id-cards for the purpose of verification.

5. Memorials/written submission have to be typed in ***Times New Roman*** on a ledger paper (paper used in court proceedings). Font size should be ***twelve*** with double spacing and foot note size ***ten***.
6. Memorials/written submission should not exceed more than **35 pages**.
7. Contents of memorials/written submission should include – 1) Cover Page 2) Table of Contents 3) Index of Authorities 4) Statement of Jurisdiction 5) Summary of Facts 6) Body of Pleadings 7) Prayers.
8. There will be exchange of memorials/written submission prior to each round.
9. Participating teams have to bring their own memorials/written submission for their own use.

D. ROUNDS

There will be total four rounds namely Preliminary, Quarter Final, Semi Final and Final. In all the rounds the decision of the Judges would be final and binding on all the participants.

D.a. PRELIMINARY ROUND

1. Each speaker will be given fifteen minutes for oral submissions inclusive of time for rebuttals. However sur-rebuttals will be at the discretion of the judges.
2. Each team shall present contentions from both the sides.
3. The top eight teams with the highest aggregate at the preliminary round will alone qualify for the Quarter Final Rounds.
4. In case of a tie in the preliminary rounds, marks for memorials/ written submissions will be considered.

D.b. QUARTER FINAL ROUND

1. Each speaker will be given fifteen minutes for oral submissions inclusive of time for rebuttals. However sur-rebuttals will be at the discretion of the judges.
2. Each team shall present contentions from both the sides.
3. The top four teams with the highest aggregate at the quarter final round will alone qualify for the Semi Final Rounds. (Knock outs)
4. In case of a tie in the quarter final rounds, marks for memorials/ written submissions will be considered.

D.c. SEMI FINAL ROUND

1. Each speaker will be given thirty minutes for oral submissions inclusive of time for rebuttals. However sur-rebuttals will be at the discretion of the judges.
2. Each team shall present contentions from both the sides.
3. Top two teams with the highest aggregate at the semi final round will alone qualify for the Final Rounds. (Knock outs)
4. In case of a tie in the quarter final rounds, marks for memorials/ written submissions will be considered.

D.d. FINAL ROUND

1. Each speaker will be given thirty minutes for oral submissions inclusive of time for rebuttals. However sur-rebuttals will be at the discretion of the judges.
2. Each team shall present contention from both sides.
3. In case of a tie in the final round, marks for memorials/ written submissions will be considered.

E. RESEARCHERS TEST

1. Participation in the researcher's test is compulsory for the participant researcher from each team.
2. The written examination will be for one hour and will carry 100 marks.
3. Researchers are expected to prepare accordingly on points of law relating to subject matter and facts of the case.

F. QUIZ

1. Five highest scorers in the researchers test will qualify for quiz contest.
2. The subject matter for the quiz will be IP related.

G. GENERAL INSTRUCTION

1. Participating teams should send their travelling plan by email at info.iips@nmims.edu, at the earliest to enable accommodation facilities.
2. **Attendance of all the participants is mandatory in all the events. (Inauguration, Draw of Lots, Preliminary, Quarter Final, Semi Final, Final, Quiz and Valedictory) to qualify for participation certificates.**
3. Participants appearing in the moot court competition are required to be formally attired as befitting the decorum of a court. (Black & White attire).
4. The organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action for any misconduct and immoral conduct.
5. Participating teams are expected to bring their own reference materials including case laws, authorities, precedents, etc at the time of oral submission.
6. The organizers reserve the right to alter, add, repeal, etc any of the rules if so required as they deem appropriate and without notice.
7. If there is any situation which is not contemplated in the rules, the decision of the organizers shall stand final.

E. MARKING CRITERIA

MEMORIAL MARKING CRITERIA

CRITERIA	MARKS
Presentation	20
Drafting Skills	20
Depth and Quality of Research	40
Synopsis of facts	10
Referencing	10
TOTAL	100

ORAL SUBMISSION MARKING CRITERIA

CRITERIA	MARKS
Knowledge of facts & Law	25
Authorities & Precedents	20
Advocacy & Presentation of Case	25
Answer to Court Questions	15
Reference to Memorials/W.S.	15
TOTAL	100

H. AWARDS

- 1. Best Team : Rs. 7500/-**
- 2. Runner-Up : Rs. 4500/-**
- 3. Best Speaker : Rs. 2000/-**
- 4. Best Memorial : Rs. 3000/-**
- 5. Quiz Winner : Rs. 3000/-**
- 6. Participation certificate will be awarded to all the participants.**

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