

LLOYD LAW COLLEGE
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Introduces

NATIONAL TRIAL & APPELLATE ADVOCACY COMPETITION

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Mr. Manohar Thairani

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

Dear Students,

It's my great pleasure to invite you all to the unique experience that Lloyd Law College proposes to offer to all of its participants of Lloyd National Trial & Appellate Advocacy Competition, 2020 being organized at its campus. Over the past years, Lloyd Law College has emerged as an institution par excellence in the field of law and will continue to maintain its excellence with great distinction.

My blessings and good wishes to all the participants to make it as pivotal for future reform by putting forward their advocacy skills in various aspects of law.

- Mr. Manohar Thairani
President, Lloyd Law College



Prof. (Dr.) Mohd. Salim

MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR

Dear Students,

Following the principles of Swami Vivekananda, Lloyd Law College is tirelessly devoted to the cause of providing quality legal education to its students. It is my honor to state that our college has also participated in many trials and moot court competitions and have emerged victorious in them. Adding to it, our college is credited to having conducted many National and International level IPR/ Human Rights/ International Commercial Arbitration Conferences and Workshops.

It gives me immense pleasure to introduce Lloyd's Annual Event: "Catalyst 2020". I have no doubt that this edition will be fulfilling and enjoyable for all the participants. This is in fact one of an effort of providing such a platform to students so as to they can learn the basics of trial as well as appellate court which in turn, opens a wider gate for one's overall learning experience. I wish you all a great luck and look forward to your participation.

- Prof. (Dr.) Mohd. Salim
Director, Lloyd Law College



Prof. Akhilesh Kumar Khan

MESSAGE FROM DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Greetings Students,

Following the Motto of Dharma Sansthanartham , every student in Lloyd law College is not only encouraged to persist enthusiastically and vigorously towards their subjects but also towards an all encompassing and inclusive quest for knowledge and wisdom.

I feel very proud to declare this event as unique and different in itself pan India. It tests the law student both on the aspects of knowledge of law and facts. Apart from Trial Advocacy, it further extends to 2 stages comprising of the proceedings of Session Court and the Hon'ble Supreme Court and tests the skills from the preliminary level to apex level.

I am extremely proud of our student's spirit of responsibility and community engagement, which contributes to building the students' council and realizing their vision. I wish all the best to every participating team.

- Prof. Akhilesh Kumar Khan
Deputy Director, Lloyd Law College



Adv. Naginder Benipal

MESSAGE FROM MENTOR

Dear Students,

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." – William Butler Yeats It is said that a good work-life balance is a key for an individual's happiness in today's fast paced world. Being alumni of this prestigious law institution, I would like to present my heartfelt gratitude to the entire team of Lloyd National Trial & Appellate Advocacy Competition, 2020

It is my most humble opinion that while academic pursuits certainly contributes to all success, character building and holistic development can be achieved only by participating in a variety of activities to delight and entice the myriad senses of human mind. Music, dance, literature are not mere artistic pursuits but also a sense of expression, critical to anyone in their formative years. This forum will act as a platform for the exchange of ideas as well as best practices for continued personal and professional success while also providing the students with a holistic view of leadership. I am extending my warm wishes to the entire participating teams for the competition.

- Adv. Naginder Benipal
Member Executive
Delhi High Court, Bar Association

INTRODUCTION

The ability to answer questions of law and questions of fact are the biggest skills that an advocate must have within himself. Lloyd National Trial and Appellate Advocacy Competition is a unique platform that provides you with an opportunity to develop both of these skills and showcase it in front of the bests in the bar. Unlike any other competition in the country, it is the closest to the actual form of advocacy and teaches you the best of laws and procedures. It also provides with the best opportunity to show the inner metal that you are made of. Come and experience yourself as an advocate of both Sessions court and Supreme Court and live a case as if it is your life.

IMPORTANT DATES

Release of Invitations for Provisional Registrations	23/11/2019
Release of Trial Proposition, Rules, Regulations and Final Registration Forms	01/12/2019
Last Date for Registration	10/01/2020
Last Date for sending queries	30/12/2019
Release of Clarifications	5/01/2020
Last Date for Submission of Soft Copies of Memorials	25/01/2020 (23:59:59)
Last Date for Submission of Hard Copies of Memorials	01/02/2020 (17:30:00)
Release of Results of Memorial Submissions Round	06/02/2020
End of 1st Phase of Registration for Oral Rounds	11/02/2020
End of 2nd Phase of Registration for Oral Rounds	15/02/2020
Registration at the Venue	27/02/2020 (1400 to 1600 hrs.)
Draw of Lots for Prelims – I & II, exchange of memorials and General briefing of teams	27/02/2020 (1600 to 1800 hrs.)
Prelims - I	28/02/2020 (1000 to 1200 hrs.)
Lunch	28/02/2020 (1200 to 1300 hrs.)
Prelims - II	28/02/2020 (1300 to 1500 hrs.)
Prelims Result, Exchange of memorials for quarters	28/02/2020 (1530 to 1600 hrs.)
Quarter Finals	29/02/2020 (0900 to 1100 hrs.)
Results of Quarter Finals & Release of complete judgment of Sessions Court & High Court.	29/02/2020 (1115 to 1145 hrs.)
Semi-finals	01/03/2020 (0800 to 1030 hrs.)
Results of Semi-finals and Exchange of memorials for finals	01/03/2020 (1030 to 1045 hrs.)
Finals	01/03/2020 (1200 to 1430 hrs.)
Lunch	01/03/2020 (1430 to 1500 hrs.)
Valedictory Ceremony	01/03/2020 (1500 to 1800 hrs.)

RULES AND REGULATIONS

I. LANGUAGE

The language for the Oral Rounds of Competition and memorials shall be in English only. The witness, who is minor or women is free to use mix language.

II. DRESS CODE

Inside the court room, the participant shall follow the below mentioned formal dress code -

- i) Females:** White Kurta, Black Salwar and Black Dupatta or White Shirt, Black Trousers and Black Coat (including neckband and gown).
 - ii) Males:** White Shirt, Black Trousers and Black Coat (including neckband and gown).
- The dress code for all the functions at the competition shall be Western Formals for men and Western or Indian Formals for Ladies.

III. STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION

The competition shall comprise of three stages:

i) STAGE I: Memorial Elimination Rounds

This shall be open to all the teams who register for the competition. The results of this round shall be based on the evaluation of memorials and shall determine the 24 teams who will proceed to stage-II.

ii) STAGE II: Trial Advocacy Round

The teams who qualify Stage I shall be eligible to participate in the Trial Advocacy Rounds which shall comprise of Oral Rounds of Sessions courts proceedings (Preliminary Rounds and Quarter Finals). The top 4 teams will qualify for the final stage of the competition.

iii) STAGE III: Appellate Round

Top 4 teams from Stage II will be eligible to participate in the appellate round which shall comprise of Oral Rounds of Supreme Court proceedings (Semi-finals and Finals).

IV. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The Competition shall be open for 'bona-fide' students who are pursuing LL.M. Programme or integrated 5 year LL.B. Programme or 3 year LL.B. Programme from any Institute/University in India. Such Institute/University must be recognized by the Bar Council of India.

V. TEAM COMPOSITION

- i)** Each team shall consist of a minimum of 2 and maximum of 3 members. This number cannot be modified under any circumstances.
- ii)** There can be 2 speakers and 1 researcher designated for each team.
- iii)** Teams have the option of designating two of its members to be speakers for the prosecution

and the other two speakers for the defence. The team shall notify such an arrangement before the commencement of the round to the court assistants. Such a team shall not, during any stage of the competition, rearrange the position of its members to form any new combination.

- iv)** Each team will be provided with a unique team code by draw of lots during the orientation. The identity of the teams shall not be disclosed at any stage, such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Administrator.

VI. REGISTRATION

- i)** The teams must register online at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1tKw3aTo-grfwfMIq36A414Os3qELRY4lwuQsKaVnJQw/edit> by 10/01/2020.
- ii)** Online registrations will be open from 23/11/2019 will receive an acknowledgement cum approval as confirmation of their online registration & participation periodically after registration.
- iii)** A scanned copy of the letter from the participating college/ institution / university duly signed by any one of the following:- Faculty-in-charge of MCS / MCA, Registrar, Principal, Dean, Director, Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor confirming the names of the participants, Year / semester in which studying, representing the college/ institution / university for the moot competition will have to be attached during the online registration process (The approval letter shall be formatted on the letterhead of the participating institution/college/university. Alternatively you may use the registration form itself as appended below).
- iv)** Registrations without the scanned copy of the approval letter from the college/institution/ university or duly attested registration form will not be valid
- v)** Once online registration is done no change in names will be possible. However, in exceptional circumstances if a change in name is inevitable a fresh online registration have to be made along with a scanned copy of the approval letter from the college/institution/ university or duly attested registration form clearly explaining the reasons for the change and with authorized signatory & seal of the college/ institution / university.

VII. GENERAL RULES FOR THE COMPETITION

The entire competition will be divided into three rounds:

- i)** Memorial Selection
- ii)** Trial Advocacy Round
- iii)** Appellate Round

VIII. MEMORIAL SELECTION ROUND

1. There is no cap on the number of teams registering for the memorial selection round.
2. Every team is required to pay **Rs. 500/-** at the time of provisional registration. **The amount is not refundable under any circumstances.**
3. The host institution will be providing with a trial proposition that will contain all the evidences.
4. After the submission of the soft copies of memorials no changes could be made into it. For every change a penalty of 1 mark will be awarded.
5. There is no restriction on any kind of evidences if proper procedures of law for their production are followed.
6. The memorials have to be submitted on typed A4 size paper printed on one side and must contain:
 - i) THE TABLE OF CONTENTS
 - ii) THE INDEX OF AUTHORITIES
 - iii) THE STATEMENT OF JURISDICTION
 - iv) THE STATEMENT OF FACTS (1 page only and submissions of an argumentative statement of facts would attract penalties)
 - v) THE STATEMENT OF CHARGES
 - vi) THE SUMMARY OF ARGUMENTS
 - vii) THE ARGUMENTS ADVANCED (15 pages)
 - viii) THE PRAYER
7. Arguments advanced must not exceed 15 (fifteen) pages. The font size should be 12, Font Style should be Times New Roman and for double-spaced. Footnotes must be in font size 10; Font Style should be Blue book 20th edition and double space left between footnotes.
8. Memorials should be preferably staple bound. Comb/spiral or any other form of binding will be considered improper binding. Please avoid plastic front sheets /separators.
 - i) Memorials must have a one inch margin on all sides of each page.
 - ii) Page numbering should be on the top right side of each page.
 - iii) Covers must be placed on briefs as follows: Prosecution: Pale Blue Color, Defence: Light Red Colour.
 - iv) The cover page of Memorials must state the following: The cause title Identity of brief as Prosecution or Defence.
9. Identity of the institution shall not be revealed anywhere in the memorial. Instead, code numbers allotted to the students by the host institution should be mentioned. Violation of this provision shall result in penalties including disqualification. The Administrator's decision shall be final.
10. The teams shall have an option to submit a compendium of not more than 25 pages (printed on both sides), which shall carry all case laws that have been referred to in the memorial.

The paper book shall have a white cover and 2 copies shall be in possession with the participants & can be passed on to the bench on demand through the court officers. Any identifying marks/seal of the college on the paper book shall attract severe penalties including disqualification. The submission of this paper book does NOT necessarily entitle the team to any additional marks.

IX. MEMORIAL EVALUTION

The memorials shall be evaluated out of 200 points. The criteria for evaluation are as follows:

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| i) | Knowledge of Law and Facts | 50 Points |
| ii) | Proper and Articulate Analysis | 50 Points |
| iii) | Extent and Use of Research | 40 Points |
| iv) | Clarity and Organization | 40 Points |
| v) | Grammar and Style | 20 Points |

X. TRIAL ADVOCACY ROUND

- i)** Top **24 teams** from the memorial selection round will qualify for the oral rounds.
- ii)** All the selected teams shall submit the registration amount of **Rs. 6000/- within 5 days of the declaration of the results of memorial selection rounds** or the seat will go to team having the next highest marks in memorial selection rounds.
- iii)** The teams will be provided with **4 witnesses each in the prelims** round and with **5 witnesses in the quarters**.
- iv)** However the number of witnesses can be increased at the discretion of the organizing committee.
- v)** No changes to the fact sheet could be made. All the things mentioned in the fact sheet are undisputed facts of the case and thus cannot be changed. Any changes to the same can lead to the disqualification of the team. The final judgment on the same will be solely of the organizing committee. However, additions to the fact sheet are welcomed if it is within the frame of the provided fact sheet.

XI. FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

- 1.** There will be four rounds in the competition:
 - i)** Prelims - I & II
 - ii)** Quarter Finals
 - iii)** Semi Finals
 - iv)** Finals
- 2.** Time for different speakers in prelims & Quarter-finals:
 - i)** Opening Statement - 5 min
 - ii)** Examination-in-chief - 10 min

- iii) Cross-examination - 15 min
- iv) Closing Statement - 8 min
- 3. Quarter-finals will be knockout rounds. The team with highest oral round scores in each court room will qualify to the next round.
- 4. The teams with maximum number of wins in the prelims rounds will qualify for the quarter finals.
- 5. In case of a tie in the number of wins, the team with maximum marks in both the rounds will be given the preference. If still there is a tie then, the team scoring more marks in the oral rounds will proceed to the next round.
- 6. Quarter finals will be **power match round**. This means the match will be:
 - i) 1st positioned team v. 8th positioned team: Court 1
 - ii) 2nd positioned team v. 7th positioned team: Court 2
 - iii) 3rd positioned team v. 6th positioned team: Court 3
 - iv) 4th positioned team v. 5th positioned team: Court 4
- 7. The match for the semi-finals will be:
 - i) Winner of Court 1 v. Winner of Court 4
 - ii) Winner of Court 2 v. Winner of Court 3
- 8. Each team will have to represent once prosecution and once defence in the prelims rounds. In the knockout round, the side to be represented by the teams will be decided by the way of draw of lots.

XII. APPELLATE ROUND

- 1. The Appellate round consists of Semi-finals and finals.
- 2. One team from each courtroom, securing highest marks in the semi-finals round shall qualify for the Final rounds. The team codes of the teams qualifying for the Final round shall be declared immediately after the results of the semi-final rounds.
- 3. The appellate round shall be either a ***Special Leave Petition or an Appeal filed in the Hon'ble Supreme Court challenging the judgment of the High Court of the problem of trial round***. Copy of the judgment will be provided to the qualifying teams soon after the announcement of the results of quarter finals.
- 4. The teams appearing for the Petitioner and the Respondent shall be decided by a draw of lots which will be conducted immediately after the results of the Semi Final Round are declared.
- 5. The timings provided for the Final Round will be **70 minutes for each team**. No speaker shall be permitted to address the Court for a period more than 40 minutes. Each team may reserve a maximum of ten minutes from the allotted time for the purpose of rebuttal.
- 6. The finalist teams shall be at the liberty to frame suitable issues related to questions of law.

XIII. MEMORIAL FOR APPELLATE ROUNDS

1. Teams are required to submit their memorials for the appellate rounds during the registration at the venue.
2. The rules for memorials of appellate rounds are same as it was for the memorials of trial advocacy rounds.
3. However, the teams are free to plead on additional issues which they have not written in their memorials.
4. All the Supreme Court of India rules and procedures are to be followed by the teams.

XIV. SCOUTING

1. Teams will not be allowed to observe the orals of any other teams. Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any of the teams will result in disqualification.
2. Any team can file a written complaint with the Administrator, regarding a case of scouting. The Administrator's decision will be final.
3. The researchers shall sit with the speakers at the time of the orals and shall not attend the court sessions of any other team participating in the competition.

XV. PRIZES

1. **Winner:-** Trophy and Cash Prize of Rs.40,000 INR
2. **Runner Up:-** Trophy and Cash Prize of Rs.20,000 INR
3. **Best Student Advocate:-** Trophy and Cash Prize of Rs.10,000 INR
4. **2nd Best Student Advocate;-** Trophy and Cash Prize of Rs.6000 INR
5. **Best Memorial:-** Trophy and Cash Prize of Rs.10,000 INR
6. **2nd Best Memorial:-** Trophy and Cash Prize of Rs.6,000 INR
7. **Best Speaker for the Finals:-** Trophy

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