



1ST NATIONAL CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION 2019

“JUS CONSILIUM”

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Organised by
**SAVEETHA SCHOOL OF LAW,
SAVEETHA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL AND TECHNICAL SCIENCES (SIMATS)**

KNOW ABOUT THE INSTITUTION

Saveetha School of Law, SIMATS established in 2009 aims to strive for Quality Legal Education and maintains higher standards of Legal Research and Training. With its academic autonomy together with flexibility for innovation in teaching in pursuant of excellence, the School is striving to emerge as one of the Best Institutions in the field of Legal education. With the vision, to excel in imparting quality oriented legal education relevant to the social order and human development. Our journey has been remarkable and has grown in leaps and bounds in every possible angle. SSL also encourages students' active participation in various extra - curricular activities such as Moot Court, Client Counselling, Community outreach programmes, Mock Trial, Seminars. Besides teaching, the School imparts special skills to the students relevant to their professional pursuit and makes them as a holistic personality.

KNOW ABOUT THE COMPETITION

To nurture professionalism and in growth of the institution, Saveetha School of Law has stepped forward with the initiative of announcing ***JUS CONSILIUM*** "1st National Client Counselling Competition 2019". This competition aims basic skills for every budding advocate, particularly the ability to interview, support advice and provide solution for legal issues pertaining to clients.

- Initial interview with a person playing the role of the client.
- Address the client's legal and non-legal needs
- The advocate-client relationship
- Build rapport
- Determine client goals
- Consider applicable law, etc.,

DATE - 23rd and 24th February 2019

VENUE – Saveetha School of Law, SIMATS, Poonamallee, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

THEME - The problem for the Client Counseling will be based on any of these subject areas: *Law of Torts, Constitutional law, Specific Relief, Family Law, Criminal Law and other major Acts.*

ELIGIBILITY

Students pursuing their bachelor's degree in three-years /five years course from any recognized law school/ college/ university are eligible to participate in the competition. (THREE TEAMS CAN PARTICIPATE FROM ONE INSTITUTION).

ATTIRE

Participants should dress formally (Black & White or Dark Gray attires) for all rounds and Valedictory.

REGISTRATION AND TEAM COMPOSITION

Team yourself with maximum of two members by Filling the Google form https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeTlgEXgvKhUTqh2Eb5gMajMCoY-SP7bjLcITXricgiORdgsA/viewform?usp=pp_url latest by 16th February 2019.

Participants will receive an acknowledgement-cum-approval as a confirmation of their registration & participation periodically after registration.

Registration Fees: INR 4,000/- for each participating team. The Registration is open to 30 teams only on First cum First Serve basis.

MODE OF PAYMENT

BANK DETAILS:

KARUR VAYSA BANK

Account No. 1248135000002593

Account Name – Saveetha School of Law

IFSC Code - KVBL0001248

IMPORTANT DATES

S.No	List of events	Dates of Event
1.	Registration Opens (Google Form)	24 th January 2019
2.	Registration Closed	16 th February, 2019
3.	Last date for payment	17 th February, 2019
4.	Inauguration, Preliminary Round & Quarter – Finals	23 rd February, 2019
5.	Semi- Finals and Finals	24 th February, 2019
6.	Valedictory	24 th February, 2019

PREREQUISITE FOR STAGES

The Competition follows, Point Qualification Format in which teams accumulating the highest number of points in the preliminary rounds will qualify for the Quarter Finals followed by the Semi-Final Rounds and thereon for the Final Rounds.

There will be four (4) rounds of competition

1. The Preliminary Round
2. The Quarter Finals (for 8 short listed Teams).
3. The Semi Final round (for 4 short listed Teams)
4. The Final Round (for the Final 2 Teams)

TIME LIMIT FOR EACH ROUNDS:

Each team shall have a maximum of forty (40) minutes to complete the session.

- Consultation session with the client (ideally, 30 minutes) and
- Post-consultation (ideally, 5 minutes).
- Critique (ideally, 5 minutes).

A) CONSULTATION:

The consultation period shall be for **30 minutes**. The time period will start from the moment the client enters the chamber. Conduct of consultation with the client during which participants are expected to elicit the relevant information, outline the problem, find the clients expectations and propose a solution or other means of resolving the problem.

Team members are entirely free to decide on how they will divide their work, but both participants must consult with the client as a team and their plan as a whole will be subject to judging.

B) POST CONSULTATION

Each team must conduct a meaningful post-consultation discussion between the participants after the client has left the room. The time period for post consultation is **5 minutes**.

C) CRITIQUE

After the completion of the Post-Consultation period the judges may question the participants on matters deliberated upon or mentioned by the participants or the client during the consultation of post-consultation Period. The judges may ask any question which they consider material and questions meant to test the participants understanding of the facts and/or law applicable or applied by the participants in the case. The time period for this session is **3 minutes** and the judges may extend it by another **2 minutes** at their discretion.

USE OF MATERIALS AND PROPS

During the consultation and post-consultation, the team may use books, notes, and other materials. The team may also use office props to setup an Office structure, however none of them will be provided by the Host Institution and the participants must bear in mind that **NO ELECTRONIC GADGETS** can be used or accessed during the competition.

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD

Accommodation and food shall be provided to the teams by the organizers from 23rd February 2019 (8.00am) to 24th February 2019 (6.00pm) All the facilities shall be provided only to the registered members of the teams and no additional member, parent, coaches, observer or faculty advisor shall be accommodated.

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Understanding the Client's problem
- Quality of questions asked for obtaining relevant information from client
- Application of relevant sections of Act covered

- Extent of relevant remedies suggested to client
- Depiction of professional ethics during the client lawyer conversation
- Soliciting of maximum fees from client

AWARDS

Winning Team – Cash Prize – Rs.5000/- Certificates of Merit and Trophy

1st Runner-up Team Cash Prize – Rs.2000/- Certificates of Merit and Trophy

2nd Runner-up Team - Certificates of Merit and Trophy

All Participants will be awarded with Certificate of Participation

DISCLAIMER:

The institution/society has full right reserved to modify and cancel any rules as it deems fit to the situation at any time in due course of the competition and the decision of the organisers shall stand final.

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