



18th All India Moot Court Competition – 2020

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Introduction

Moot courts or mock trials are usually based on hypothetical cases involving emerging or unsettled areas of law.

Aim and Purpose

- To expose students pursuing the Company Secretaries Course to the nuances of court system in India and to hone advocacy skills.
- To provide a *real-life* experience cum training in doing cutting-edge research, presenting ground breaking arguments (oral and written) and contributing to the development of jurisprudence in the concerned area of laws.

Eligibility Criteria

Participation is restricted to the bona fide – registered students of the ICSI. Students will wear their Identity Cards of ICSI during the competition.

Practicing Advocates, Chartered Accountants, Cost Accountants are not eligible to participate and the students of ICSI who have cleared all modules of Professional Programme are not eligible to participate.

Pattern of the Competition

The Moot Court Competition will be organised at three levels.

- Chapter Level Round
- Regional Level Round
- National Round

Regional Council/ Chapter which is hosting National round may organise the national round of All India Moot Court Competition in its home city or at any city under its jurisdiction.

Language & Dress code

The Language shall be English and the dress code shall be formal.



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Team Composition

Each team shall consist of 2 Students (1 as Petitioner & 1 as Respondent).

National Round

The Winner and First Runner-up of each Regional Level competition shall compete in the National Round, which makes the total number of teams to compete at national round to Eight.

Jury

An eminent jury comprising of three senior professionals with legal acumen and practical experience shall be constituted to adjudge top Teams. Separate jury should be constituted for each Level of competition.

Memorials

The following requirements must be strictly met for each level. Non-conformities will be penalized:

- Each team must prepare memorials (Petition, Reply, Rejoinder & Written Notes) for both sides, i.e, (Petitioner and Respondent).
- The briefs shall be consistent with the National Company Law Tribunal Rules as amended from time to time.
- Once the memorials are submitted, no revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed.
- 3 (three) copies each of the memorials for Petitioner & Respondent + a soft copy to be submitted to the respective Chapter / Region in Charge before the two days of commencement of event. Both memorials should be copied in a single CD. Late submission of memorials will not be allowed.
- Memorials must be submitted type written as per National Company Law Tribunal Rules as amended from time to time.

Procedure for Appearance at the competition

Petitioner's Submission	15 minutes
Respondent's Submission (Counter)	15 minutes
Petitioner's submission (Rebuttal)	15 minutes

Scouting:

Teams will not be allowed to observe the orals of any other team(s). Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any of the teams will result in disqualification.

Scoring / Marking Parameters:

- Memorials will carry 30% and oral submissions will carry 70% of evaluation.
- If the memorials are found to be verbatim reproduction of each other, no points will be awarded for such memorials.
- Indicative parameters for scores on the basis of Oral Submission:
 - Knowledge of facts
 - Logic, reasoning and clarity



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iii. Persuasiveness

iv. Deference to the court

v. Proper and articulate analysis of the issues arising out of facts

vi. Understanding of the laws directly applicable to the issues

vii. Ingenuity (ability to argue by analogy from related aspects of law)

d. Indicative parameters for scores on the basis of Written Submissions (Memorials) in conformity with National Company Law Tribunal Rules as amended from time to time.

i. Logical progression of ideas

ii. Originality in analysis and arguments

iii. Effective use of headings to outline arguments

iv. Understanding essential legal issues presented

v. Focus on essential (not collateral) issues

vi. Clear, concise and unambiguous writing style

vii. Forceful and persuasive presentation

viii. Integration of facts into legal argument

ix. Understanding of strengths and weaknesses of case

x. Discussion of viable alternative arguments

xi. Understanding and analysis of authority

xii. Proper use of citations and citation form

xiii. Effective use of authority to support arguments

xiv. Ability to distinguish adverse cases xv. Neatness, legibility, typos or format errors

Miscellaneous

1. The decision of the judges as regards the result of the competition will be the final and binding;
2. All participants are expected to maintain decorum in the hall where the event will be held;
3. The organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional and immoral conduct;
4. The organizer's decision regarding interpretation of rules or any other matter related to competition will be final;
5. If there is any situation not contemplated in the rules, the decision of the Institute shall be final.

Removal of Difficulty

If any difficulty arises in giving effect to any of the provisions of these guidelines, Secretary of the Institute may make such provisions or give such directions as appear to be necessary for removal of the difficulty.