SOUTHERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL

# 20th ALL INDIA MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2022

(under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Corporate Affairs)

## **RULES**

### **INTRODUCTION**

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

## **AIM AND PURPOSE**

- a. To expose students pursuing the Company Secretaries Course to the nuances of court system in India and to hone advocacy skills.
- b. 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.

#### SUBJECT, VENUE AND DATE

20<sup>th</sup> All India Moot Court Competition 2022 will be held in three stages i.e. Chapter Level, Regional Level and National Level as per the schedule below:

Subject	Last date for submission of application for participation	Last date to organize the Moot Court Competition	Venue of the Moot Court Competition
Chapter Level Competition	On or before Saturday, 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2022.	On or before Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2022.	To be decided by the Chapter
Regional Level Competition	On or before Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	On or before Sunday, 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	To be decided by the Regional Office
National Level Competition	Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	Saturday, 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	ICSI-SIRC House, Chennai (Final venue will be confirmed)

The Moot Court Case will be on Oppression and Mismanagement of Companies Act, 2013. Please find attached Case Law for your reference.

### **DRESS CODE:**

The dress code shall be formal.

- a. Gentlemen: White shirt. Black Trousers and Tie.
- b. Ladies: White Sari or Salwar-kurta, or White Shirt, Black Trousers
- c. The dress code is applicable to all the pleading teams.

#### **LANGUAGE**

The language of the competition will be English

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Participation is restricted to the bona fide registered students of the ICSI. Students will be required\_to carry their Identity Card of ICSI with them at 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.

#### **TEAM COMPOSITION**

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

#### REGISTRATION

Teams must register with the respective Chapter / the Region with enclosed Registration Form.

### **ROUNDS**

There will be 3 (three) rounds of the Competition i.e. Chapter Level, Regional Level Round and National Level Round.

## 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.

## **MEMORIALS**

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

- a. Each team must prepare memorials (Petition, Reply, Rejoinder & Written Notes) for both sides, i.e, (Petitioner and Respondent).
- b. The briefs shall be consistent with the Company Law Rules as amended from time to time.
- c. Once the memorials are submitted, no revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed.
- d. 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. Memorials must be submitted type written as per\_Company Law Rules / Companies Act 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. Team's disqualification is final and irrevocable.

### SCORING AND MARKING PARAMETERS:

- a. Memorials will carry 30% and oral submissions will carry 70% of evaluation.
- b. If the memorials are found to be verbatim reproduction of each other, no points will be awarded for such memorials.
- c. Indicative parameters for scores on the basis of Oral Submission:
  - i. Knowledge of fact
  - ii. Logic, reasoning and clarity
  - 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 <u>with</u> Company Law 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) issue
  - 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 argument
- 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

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS**

Regional Level Round results will be announced soon after the Competition. National Level Round results will be announced on the same Day.

#### **ANONYMITY**

- a. Student counsel may introduce him / her to the Judges in the usual manner and may also state their names. However, the team's region or office or other affiliations shall not be revealed at any time to any of the Judges before the competition is over.
- b. Further, all team members and observers shall refrain from identifying a team at any time and in any manner, including, but not limited to, wearing any identifying items, such as badges, blazers or identifying material, which may indicates their region or office or other affiliation.

## **ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT**

Travel expenses for the Regional Level Round will be borne by the respective Chapters where the participants are registered as Student and the Regional Council will arrange for the accommodation only.

Transport expenses for the National Level Round will be borne by the Regional Council as per ICSI Moot Court Competition Guidelines.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 1. Participants are required to maintain proper decorum in the court during competition. The administrators reserve the right to take appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional or immoral conduct.
- 2. The administrator reserves the right to vary, alter, modify or repeal any of the above rules if so required and as they deem appropriate.
- 3. If there is any change in the Rules, it will be notified through email submitted at the time of Registration.
- 4. The use of Laptops, Mobile or any other electronic device is strictly prohibited during the hearing also when these items are solely used for measuring time. Speakers are allowed to use watch only. An exception can be made by the administrative officer for exceptional circumstances.

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