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RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Participants of the I-WIN first Virtual National IPR Moot Court Competition -2020 are expected to read, understand and apply the rules and regulations using reason and judgement. This is intended to simulate the roles and responsibilities of student lawyers appearing before the Virtual Moot Court. These rules and regulations can be amended/altered and are updated in the website from time to time and hence the participants are required to go through the rules periodically.

The participants understand that I-WIN first Virtual National IPR Moot Court Competition -2020 can be cancelled or postponed by the Organizers without any reasons.

1. Subject matter

I-WIN first Virtual National IPR Moot Court Competition-2020 focusing on Intellectual Property Law. The dates of the Competition are 7th to 9th August 2020. The objective of the competition is to introduce law, science and engineering students to important issues arising in Intellectual Property Rights Litigation. Students who participate in the competition have opportunity to develop their brief writing and oral advocacy skills in a moot courtroom experience. Since it is blend of Science, Engineering and Law students, either disciplines will know each other and become a team to work that will help in shaping their career in future working with interdisciplinary persons.

2. Eligibility & Team size/Composition:

2.1.All recognized law, Engineering and Science schools, universities and institutions in India or abroad shall be eligible to participate. I-WIN first Virtual National IPR Moot Court Competition -2020 open to all students currently pursuing law, science or engineering undergraduate courses, Each college/university/Institution shall represented by only one team.







- 2.2. The maximum number of participants per team is restricted to three members constituting two Speakers (2) and one Researcher (1). Each team should identify such speakers and researcher during registration. The researcher won't be allowed to speak except under special cases and only with the express permission of the organizers/Judges. It is mandatory that one of the team member should be a science/ Engineering Student. It is open that all three members can be all Science and Engineering students; however it is advised to include one of the member in the team as law student.
- 2.3.Proof of current Registration in law, science or engineering undergraduate courses for each team member or Bonafide Certificate should be included with each team's entry form.
- 2.4.Each team will be given a unique team code number which will thereafter be the identity of the team and its members. Each team shall consist of a minimum of two members or a maximum of three members. There shall be no situation whatsoever that a team consisting of more than 3 members be allowed to participate. In case of a three-member team, there shall be 2 speakers and 1 researcher in the team.
- 2.5.In case of a two-member team, there shall be two speakers and no one from them will be eligible for researcher test.
- 2.6. The teams shall identify the speakers and researcher in the registration form itself.
- 2.7.Teams shall not disclose their identity whatsoever, except in the registration form. Such disclosure shall result in disqualification subject to the discretion of the Organizers.
- 2.8. There will be no substitution of team member after a team has submitted its Registration form, except with the permission of the organizers.







3. Registration:

- 3.1. The participants have to first provisionally register their institution via email by the authorised person or committee of the respective institution/college/university at contact@i-winip.com
- 3.2. The provisional registration must be completed on or before 1st July 2020. Subsequent to the acknowledgement by the organising committee to the email sent by the participant, the participants are directed to submit proof of payment of Registration fee and Bonafide Certificates of Participants from the institution/college/university. Failure to make payment of participation fee or submission of Bonafide Certificates will disqualify the teams provisionally Registered.
- 3.3.Each participating team shall duly fill the requisite Google form and submit on or before 1st July 2020.
- 3.4. The Participation or Registration fee for each team will be Rs.6,000/- (Rupees Six Thousand Only) per team payable by means of NEFT/RTGS/IMPS/Demand Draft or any other payment modes in favour of M/s. I-WIN IP Services, payable at Hyderabad. The teams are informed that the registration fee is non-refundable once paid and in no case the said Registration fee will be refunded expect under special circumstances that is satisfied by the organizing committee. In case by any reason I-WIN first Virtual National IPR Moot Court Competition -2020 is cancelled by the organizers full Registration fee will be refunded to the participating teams.
- **3.5.**The final selection of teams will be restricted to the first thirty teams who confirm their participation on invitation and first–cum first-serve basis. The selection of any team to participate is at the discretion of the organisers.
- 3.6.Any substitution of team member must be made before submission of Registration form and payment of Registration Fee i.e., on or before 1st July 2020.Such substitution shall be accompanied by the Bonafide of the respective member.







3.7.No change in the names of participants shall be entertained after the receipt of the registration form along with the payment.

4. Language

The Moot Court Competition will be conducted only in **English language**.

5. The Moot Problem:

The Moot Problem is available on official website at http://www.i-winip.com/ip-moot2020/Moot_Problem_Final.pdf

6. Memorial Rules:

- 6.1.Submission Deadline: All participating teams shall submit a soft copy of their Memorials for both the sides (Plaintiff/Petitioner and Defendant/Respondent) in .doc format compatible with Microsoft Word 2003 (or higher) only, on or before 25th July, 2020. The soft copies of the memorials must be emailed to contact@i-winip.com with the subject "Memorial Submission by (Team Code) for the I-WIN first Virtual National IPR Moot Court Competition -2020.
- 6.2. Failure to send the Memorials in time may result in automatic disqualification from the competition. The team will be notified of such disqualification by e-mail and shall have the opportunity to appeal such disqualification by 25th July 2020 before 5 p.m. Memorials cannot be revised or amended after they are filed. No additional or supplement memorials will be accepted.
- **6.3.Formatting Requirements:** The memorial shall be formatted according to the following requirements:
 - ➤ Typed on standard A4 sheet

>> Font type: Arial

⇒Font size for body text: 12

➣Font size for footnotes: 10







- >The text for written submission: 1.5 spacing
- ≫Margin of 1inch on each side
- >> Header should mention the full name of the competition and the footer should mention on whose side (plaintiff / defendant) the memorial is presented.
- > The Team Code shall be mentioned on the top right corner of the Cover Page.
- > The footnotes must follow the 19th Bluebook format of citation.

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6.4. The Memorial will carry a maximum of 100 marks and must contain the following subjects:

S No.	Specifications of Memorials
1	Cover page
2	Table of Contents
3	Index of Authorities
4	Statement of Jurisdiction
5	Statement of Facts
6	Issues involved
7	Summary of Arguments
8	Body of Arguments / Arguments Advanced
9	Prayer

6.5.Each memorial should not exceed forty pages including the Arguments advanced and the Prayer.







- 6.6. The Memorial should not contain the name of the participating college/institution/university, logo or any mark of identification, their Geographical region or identity of the team (except the Team Code) or the names of the participants in any part of the memorial. Doing so attracts immediate disqualification. Memorials shall not be signed, and no information (real or fictional) serving to identify a team or team member shall appear on or within the Memorial itself, including as part of the name of the word file of the Memorial filed with organizers.
- 6.7. By submitting the memorials for the competition, the participant teams agree that all rights in the memorials, including copyrights and other intellectual property rights, are assigned to organizers.

6.8.Weightage of Marks for Memorials:

S No.	Criteria	Marks Allotted
1.	Knowledge of Facts and Law	10
2.	Integration of Fact and Law	10
3.	Formatting Style	10
4.	Original thought process	10
5.	Alternative Arguments	10
6.	Understanding of the strengths and weakness of the case	10
7.	Extent of Research	10
8.	Articulate analysis and unambiguous ,clear and concise writing style	10
9.	Grammar and Style	10
10.	Citation and Reference	10
TOTAL		







- 6.9. For the duration of the elimination round and the quarter finals, the memorial score will be added to the oral rounds. The total score will carry 30% weightage of the memorial marks and 70% weightage of the oral submission. The team with a higher memorial marks will be considered in case of a tie in any of the rounds. The memorial scores will not be added to the overall scores in any of the knock-out rounds of semi-finals and finals.
- 6.10.Exchange of Memorials: All the participating teams shall have a briefing and Orientation session on 6th August 2020 followed by draw of lots and exchange of memorials for Preliminary Rounds.

7. Oral Arguments:

- 7.1. During the commencement of each argument in all the oral rounds, the team members arguing the case shall introduce themselves by their team code to the court. The name of the team member, team's law college/ University shall not be mentioned or otherwise disclosed at any time before, during or after the argument; even if the judges specifically ask for the same. Also display of the college/University/Institution logo/name in the background while arguments is not allowed. Failure to comply with this Rule may result in automatic disqualification of the team from the competition.
- 7.2. Speakers should be prepared to address all the issues. Speakers are not required to argue all issues, but the failure to argue important issues may be considered by the judges.
- 7.3. No discussion with the judges is permitted until their critique by Judges, which shall be conducted by the judges after the oral arguments.
- 7.4.Team members, coaches, faculty advisors or any other person affiliated with the team are permitted to attend only those arguments in which that team is participating. Other spectators are allowed to observe the argument only if no team raises an







objection before the argument. All rounds will be recorded and posted on youtube for public viewing and no privacy issues what so ever be raised by the participants. Participants agree that rights in their performance if any shall belong to the Organizers.

- 7.5. The recording or taping of any argument by a competing team or persons affiliated with the competing team is expressly forbidden. Failure to comply with this rule will result in automatic disqualification from the competition.
- 7.6. The organising committee will ensure the impartiality of all judges. Any team that recognizes an affiliation between any other team and any judge, shall raise an objection prior to the argument. Failure to take such an objection after the commencement of such arguments would amount to a complete waiver of this objection.

8. Structure of the Competition:

- 8.1.The Oral Rounds will commence on 7th August 2020. There will be two (2) elimination rounds i.e., Elimination 1 and Elimination 2 followed by Quarter Final, Semi –final and the Final rounds.
- 8.2.Elimination Round: The elimination round will comprise of two phases and the teams will be given the opportunity to argue for both the sides and shall plead compulsorily on both the sides. In each phase of the elimination round, the teams will be either as a petitioner or a respondent on the basis of lots. Each team will face a different set of opponent team.
- 8.3.Quarter Finals: At the end of the elimination round, the first ten teams will qualify for the Quarter finals. The teams will be selected on the basis of scores. In case of a 'Tie', the team with the highest memorial marks will qualify for the Quarter finals. The results of the Quarter finals will be released late evening on 8th August 2020.
- 8.4. Semi-finals: The Semi-final round would be a knock-out round and will be held on 9th August 2020 morning session.







- 8.5. Final Round: The teams which qualify through semi-finals will be eligible for the Final round to be held on 9th August 2020 Afternoon Session.
- 8.6.Time Allotment: The time allotted to each team during the elimination round will be twenty-eight minutes (28) to present their oral arguments. Each speaker must plead for a minimum of ten minutes (10). The Plaintiff / Petitioner will be allotted additional five minutes to make the rebuttal statement. The Defendant / Respondent will be allotted further three minutes to make sur-rebuttals only at the discretion of the judge. The rebuttal or the sur-rebuttal can be made by only one speaker.
 - 8.6.1.In the quarter final, semi-final and final rounds, each team will be allotted forty five minutes (45) to present their oral arguments inclusive of rebuttal for 3 minutes and the sur-rebuttal on the discretion of the judge and each speaker must plead for a minimum of fifteen minutes (15).
- 8.7. Weightage of Marks for Oral Pleadings: The judges will independently score each brief. A panel of judges will independently score each team's oral arguments.

S No.	Criteria	Marks Allotted
1.	Clarity of Thought	10
2.	Court Language	10
3.	Knowledge of Facts and Law	15
4.	Integration of Facts and Law	15
5.	Presentation Style	10
6.	Spontaneity	10
7.	Body Language	5
8.	Dress Code	5







9.	Team Work	10
10. Conclusion/Completion of the Argument and Prayer		10
TOTAL		100

9. Penalties:

9.1.Late Submission of Memorial after the stipulated time will attract a penalty of two marks per day from the Memorial marks. The organising committee reserves its rights to cancel the participation and forfeit the registration fee, in the event of failure to submit the memorial on or before 1st July, 2020, the last date for the submission.

10. Awards

- > The Best Team: The Best Team would be awarded with a cash prize of Rs. 25,000/-
- > The Second Best Team: The Second Best Team would be awarded a cash prize of Rs. 20,000/-.
- ➤ The Best Memorial: The Best Memorial would be awarded a cash prize of Rs. 10,000/-.
- >> Best Male Speaker: The Best Male Speaker would be awarded a cash prize of Rs. 10,000/-.
- ➤ Best Female Speaker: The Best Female Speaker would be awarded a cash prize of Rs.10,000/-.
- ➤ Best Researcher: The Best Researcher would be awarded a cash prize of Rs. 5,000/-.







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ANY OTHER PRIZES/AWARDS THAT WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY OUR SPONSORS AND PARTNERS WILL BE SHARED IN DUE COURSE.

11. Clarifications:

For any clarifications regarding the moot problem, kindly mail to contact@i-winip.com with the subject as Clarifications – I-WIN first Virtual National IPR Moot Court Competition -2020.

12. Schedule of Events

Day	Date	Time	Event
	6th August 2020	3.00 pm onwards	Briefing and orientation session along with Drawing of lots and Exchange of memorial
	7th August 2020	10 am to 11 Am	Inaugural Ceremony
Day 1	7th August 2020	11 am – 6.30 pm	Preliminary Rounds I & II
Day 2	8th August 2020	9.00 am- 4.30 pm	Quarter finals & Semi-final
Day 3	9th August 2020	2.30pm – 5.30 pm	Final rounds & Valedictory Ceremony







13. Dress Code:

The dress code shall be similar to an advocate's attire i.e., a black trouser, white shirt, and black blazer during all the sessions. Under no circumstances the Participants should be in informal dressing; failure to adhere to this rule shall disqualify the team from participation.

14. Scouting:

No team member will be allowed to hear the arguments of other teams being advanced in other court halls. The Organizing Committee will take strict disciplinary action against any team indulging in scouting either directly or indirectly. However all the sessions are recorded and uploaded on youtube post competition for participants viewing. The participants cannot come back on their performance and question judges or organizing committee for their non-selection. It is complete discretion of judges in marking the participants and the same cannot be questioned on any platform.

15. IP Rights:

I-WIN IP Services, Hyderabad will have overall rights in the memorials submitted by each team, rights on the processes, procedures, moot problem, broadcasting and reproduction rights on the event and reserves all its rights to publish either online or offline. The teams should sign the consent form and other necessary documents and cooperate for assignment of rights to I-WIN IP Services. The teams agree that participating in the competition would lead to automatic assignment of the rights.

16. Complaints:

Any person aggrieved by the administration shall report to the Organizers at contact@i-winip.com and contact the coordinator Vijay Kumar Makyam @ 9700029123 or vijay@i-winip.com. We will ensure fair redressal of all your grievances.







17. Powers of the Committee:

- 17.1.Other than as provided by these specific rules, the committee shall have sole discretion to assess penalties or to disqualify teams for failure to abide by any of the rules.
- 17.2. The committee shall have sole discretion to make all necessary interpretation of these rules. All requests for rule interpretations must be submitted by email to con-tact@i-winip.com if you do not receive a response within three business days, please call the Moot Coordinator at +91-9700029123.
- 17.3.At the committee's discretion, the response to any enquiry may be sent to all participating teams. All decisions of the Committee regarding the interpretation of the rules are final.

18.Important Dates

Event	Submission Deadlines
Release of Moot Problem	1st June 2020
Last Date of Registration	1st July 2020
Last Date for Clarifications Pertaining to the Moot Problem	20th July 2020
Last Date of Submission of Soft Copy of the Memorials	25th July 2020
Oral Rounds of the Competition	7th August to 9th August 2020







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