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Rules and Regulations for the ALLIANCE NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2017

1. Venue And Date:

The Alliance National Moot Court Competition 2017 shall be held from 18 - 20 April 2017 at Alliance School of Law, Alliance University, Chandapura-Anekal Road, University Campus, Bangalore, Karnataka - 562106.

2. Eligiblity:

The competition is open only for the students pursuing LL.B degree either of 3yrs LL.B course or 5years LL.B course. Provided that in the event of suspension or termination of any member the membership may fall below 21.

3. Registration:

- a. Application shall be accepted on the first come first serve basis. Provisional registration may be done at the earliest by the teams. Registration particulars as soft copy and scanned copy of DD should be sent by e-mail to amcc.allianceuniversity@gmail.com marked as The ALLIANCE NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2017 REGISTRATION as the subject of the mail latest by 5th April 2017.
- b. All the fields in the registration form must be compulsorily filled.
- c. Last date for registration is April 5th, 2017.
- d. The registration fee is Rs. 3500/- (Rupees Three Thousand Five Hundred Only)
- e. The Demand Draft has to be drawn in favor of "ALLIANCE UNIVERSITY" Payable at Bengaluru. The name of the institution shall be written on the reverse side of the DD.
- f. All the filled in forms along with the DD a soft copy must mailed to and a hard copy of the same must be submitted to the following address





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g. Teams shall send the soft copy of memorial by 13th April 2017 to amcc.allianceuniversity@gmail.com with the title 'Memorial Submission'. Hard copy of the same is expected by 15th April 2017.

4. Rules:

- a. Please make sure that you spell your name correctly.
- b. The certificate will bear the name with the spelling mentioned in the registration form.
- c. Team composition shall not be altered after registration.
- d. All the team must adhere with the proper dress code i.e. Black and white formals with blazers and tie.
- e. The participating teams must strictly follow the timings, failing which may lead to disqualification of team for that event.
- f. Organizers will not be responsible for any clash in the events.
- g. The copyright in the memorials submitted by the teams shall vest with the ALLIANCE SCHOOL OF LAW, Bengaluru. The acceptance of such vesting is a precondition to participation in the Competition.
- h. In case of any doubt in the understanding or interpretation of any matter concerning the Competition, the decision of the organisers shall be final and binding.
- i. The organisers shall resolve unanticipated or unexpected contingencies, if any, and the decision of the organisers in this regard shall be final. The acceptance of any such decisions of the Competition. Administrator is a precondition to participation in the Competition.
- j. The organisers reserve the right to use, amend, alter, vary or change, in any manner whatsoever, the Rules governing the Competition, which would be communicated to the teams within a reasonable period of time.
- k. The teams are expected to reach the Venue by 11:00 AM, 18th April 2017.





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5. TEAM COMPOSITION

- a. Each team shall comprise of two speakers, who may be accompanied by one researcher, all of whom shall have to be accordingly designated during the registration process. The names of the speakers and researcher so provided shall not be allowed to be changed subsequently.
- b. Each team will be given a team code and each member shall be given an individual code. The team code shall be sent to the registered teams.
- c. The team members shall not reveal their identities or that of their institutions in the written submission, supplementary volume or during the oral arguments. Such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be the discretion of the organizers.
- d. Scouting is not allowed. Scouting by the speakers, researcher or any other person affiliated with a team will lead to immediate disqualification of such team. The participants are not supposed to disclose their identity in any manner. The Teams are advised to bring their white paper book, the white paper book should not in any manner disclose the identity.
- e. If a team scheduled to participate in the oral submissions of a Round does not appear for ten (10) minutes after the scheduled commencement of such Round, the other team shall have to make oral submissions ex-parte.

6. COMPETITION:

- a. The competition rounds shall be held over a period of three days i.e., 18/04/2017, 19/04/2017 & 20/04/2017.
- b. The inaugural function and the draw of lots will be held on 18th April, 4:00 PM in the Auditorium.

7. Guidelines for memorials:

- a. Teams have to prepare memorials for both the sides.
- b. The teams shall submit 8 hard copies of the memorial for each side by





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- c. The contents of the hard copies must be the same as the soft copy on 13/04/2017
- d. Non-compliance with this rule will lead to disqualification of that team.
- e. The memorials must be in the following order:
 - I. Cover Page;
 - II. Table of Contents;
 - III. Index of Authorities;
 - IV. Statement of Jurisdiction;
 - V. Statement of Facts;
 - VI. Statement of Issues;
 - VII. Summary of Arguments;
 - VIII. Arguments Advanced; and
 - IX. Prayer.
- f. The memorials must be printed in Times New Roman 12 font size with 1.5 line spacing. The headings must be in 14 font size and the footnotes must be in Time New Roman 10 font size. The memorials should have a margin measuring one inch on all sides of each page.
- g. The Arguments Advanced should not exceed 15 pages per team.
- h. The petitioner's memorial cover page shall be printed on Red Colour A4 size paper, and the respondent's memorial cover page on Green Colour A4 size paper.
- The Written Submission (pleading) shall not exceed 6000 words including footnotes.
- j. The organisers shall reserve the right to not evaluate submissions which are not in conformity with the aforementioned rules.
- k. No amendments whatsoever shall be permitted to be made to the Memorial after the online submission has been made.





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8. Evaluation standards:

- a. Memorial marks will be considered along with scores of the Preliminary Rounds.
- b. Memorials shall be evaluated on the following criteria:

Particulars	Marks
Application and appreciation of facts of the proposition	20
Identification, structuring and presentation of issues	20
Application of legal principles, authorities and precedents	20
Ingenuity and logical reasoning	20
Written composition of pleadings	10
Proper footnoting anti formatting	10

c. Researcher's test: A Researcher's Test shall be conducted at the Venue on 18/04/2017 at 06:30 PM after the Inauguration Ceremony to adjudge the Best Researcher.

9. STRUCTURE OF THE ROUNDS:

The oral rounds shall comprise of 4 rounds as follows:

I. PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

- There shall be two Preliminary Rounds. Every team shall be given the opportunity to argue from each side in the Preliminary Rounds the schedule for which shall be determined by a draw of lots.
- ❖ Each team will be given a total of 30 minutes to present their case which includes rebuttal.
- ❖ The division of time between the speakers is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of minutes for any one speaker. Each team shall indicate to the Bench-clerk the allocation of its minutes.





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- ❖ Each moot shall be decided by the award of a maximum of nine (9) points. Of which a maximum of points can be scored for the memorial scores and maximum of 3 respectively for each of two speakers.
- ❖ If two or more teams have the same number of wins and also the same cumulative points, the team with the higher cumulative oral rounds marks shall be ranked higher.
- ❖ If two or more teams have the same number of wins, the same cumulative points and also the same cumulative oral rounds marks, then the team with the higher gross memorial score, i.e., the score of the memorials without deducting penalties, shall be ranked higher.
- ❖ The top 8 teams based on the points scored in the Preliminary rounds shall advance to the Quarter-Final Rounds.

II. QUARTER-FINAL ROUNDS

- The side to be represented by the qualifying teams shall be determined by a draw of lots.
- Qualifying teams shall argue only for one side in the Quarter Finals. Each team shall get a total of 35 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal.
- ❖ The division of time between the speakers is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 20 minutes for any one speaker. Each team shall indicate the time allocation to the court clerk.
- ❖ The Quarter Final Rounds shall be knockout rounds based on the points awarded by the judges. The four winning teams shall advance to the Semi-Final Rounds.

III. SEMI FINAL ROUNDS

- The side to be represented by the team shall be determined by a draw of lots.
- Qualifying team shall argue only for one side in the Semi Finals. Each team shall get a total of 40 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal.





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- ❖ The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 15 minutes for any one speaker. Each team shall indicate to the bench-clerk the time allocation.
- ❖ On the basis of knock out, 2 teams shall advance to the Finals. In case of a tie in any round (other than the Preliminary Rounds), the teams shall advance to the next round on the basis of highest memorial score.

IV. FINALS

- ❖ Each team shall get a total of 50 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal and sur- rebuttal.
- ❖ The division of the time is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 25 minutes for any one speaker. Each team shall indicate to the bench-clerk the time allocation.

10. Evaluation:

The evaluation would be done on the following criteria:

Logical structuring and reasoning	10 marks
Ingenuity and originality	10 marks
Marshalling of facts	10 marks
Articulation of issues	10 marks
Presentation skills and communication ability	10 marks
Response to questions posed	10 marks
Application of legal principles	10 marks
Use of authorities and precedents	10 marks
Court etiquettes	5 marks
Covering all the areas of the problem	5 marks
Effective rebuttals	10 marks