

2nd AMITY NATIONAL TRIAL ADVOCACY

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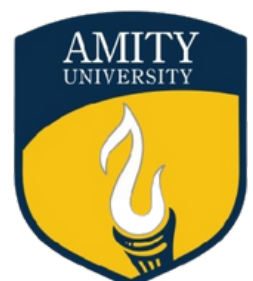


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ABOUT THE EVENT

Trial advocacy is the branch of knowledge concerned with making attorneys and other advocates more effective in trial proceedings. A mock trial is a method of clinical legal education. Learning the law in practice at the college level is the essence of a mock trial. A mock trial is nothing but a model court trial offered through simulation. It teaches the students law in practice before the Criminal Court. Any criminal case before the actual court takes years together to complete the procedure, including judgment. However, in mock trials students are trained to show the complete procedure within a short span of time. It is taught as an essential trade skill for litigators in law schools and in continuing legal education programs. The skills of trial advocacy can be broken into two categories:

1. Skills that accomplish individual tasks (tactical skills) such as delivering opening statements and closing arguments, examining witnesses, and
2. Skills that integrate individual actions to achieve greater effects and to drive unfolding events toward the advocate's desired outcome (strategy).



ABOUT THE ORGANISERS

ABOUT AMITY EDUCATION GROUP

Amity Education Group is the leading education group in India with over 1,00,000 students studying across 1000 acres of hi-tech campus. Amity University Uttar Pradesh is a leading research-oriented private university established in 2005 under a State Act. It is recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with an “A” grade.



ABOUT THE ORGANISERS

- India's no.1 ranked not-for-profit university by Education Times & India Today Surveys
- Top-10 ranked Institutes in Law, Management, Biotechnology, Engineering, Telecom, Hospitality, Insurance, Fashion and Mass Communication as ranked by Leading Surveys
- Prestigious national and international recognition & accreditation including WASC – Asia's only not-for-profit university to get US regional accreditation
- 900 patents filed by faculty in the last years – more than any other university/institute in India.
- 2000 case studies developed by faculty in the last years bought by leading organisations and universities across 62 countries.
- Nobel Laureate as Honorary Faculty
- Research partnership with over 80 global Universities
- Accorded the status of SIRO (Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation) by Govt. of India
- Faculty working on 300 Govt. funded research projects
- Industry interaction with over 1500 corporate leaders till now
- 36000 on-campus placements in the last years
- 25,000 scholarships given
- Brilliant students selected for higher studies in global universities such as Stanford, Wharton, Columbia, and Carnegie Mellon, among many others
- World Class infrastructure includes over 300 state-of-the-art Labs, Libraries with over 2 lac books & 17000 online journals, Hostel facilities for 16000 students and Mobile Apps that allow students access to live lectures and events.



ABOUT THE ORGANISERS

ABOUT THE STUDENT BAR FORUM

The Student Bar Forum is a student committee entrusted with the responsibility of administering moot activities and Trial Advocacy Tournaments upholding the high standards of excellence that Amity Law School Noida has set itself. The role of the Student Bar Forum is to facilitate and regulate moot and Trial Advocacy tournaments at Amity Law School, Noida. This involves planning, organizing, and executing various moot court and trial advocacy competitions hosted by Amity Law School, Noida. This involves a prior screening process of contending teams under the supervision of our faculties. Another major function that the Student Bar Forum serves is to develop future mooters and trial advocates. The Student Bar Forum in the last academic session has not only ensured maximum participation of students in moot but has also passionately encouraged them in performing well in highly prestigious competitions. The Student Bar Forum comprises a workforce of more than 150 students who are dedicated to working for the purpose of organizing various competitions relentlessly.



PREFACE

- Amity Law School, Noida with its one of the most fundamental organs, The Student Bar Forum is facilitating 2nd Amity National Trial Advocacy Tournament, 2022 as per the system of the Trial Court in India.
- The Competition has been considered with a point of making mindfulness Criminal Law Statute and giving a stage to improvement of support abilities which will encourage the interest of equity in the area of Criminal Law. We try to make this challenge, a triumph and shelter for the law researchers.
- 2nd Amity National Trial Advocacy Tournament, 2022 is booked to be **held offline** in Amity Law School Noida, Amity University U.P. Campus from **October 12- 14, 2022**.
- Ms Gargi Bhadoria and Ms Meenu Sharma, Faculty Convenors of Student Bar Forum, shall act as the ‘Tournament Administrators’ of the tournament and shall be the arbiters in case of any disputes arising as to the interpretation of these rules.
- The rules are subject to change without any prior information and are on the sole discretion of the organizing committee.



DEFINITIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF 2nd AMITY NATIONAL TRIAL ADVOCACY TOURNAMENT, 2022

The following terms have the corresponding meanings:

- **“ADMINISTRATORS”** means Administrators that shall be constituted by the SBF Organising Committee.
- **“TOURNAMENT”** means 2nd Amity National Trial Advocacy Tournament, 2022
- **“DISQUALIFICATION”** means that the team will not be allowed to participate in the competition and therefore, shall not be awarded a Certificate of Participation or any Prize.
- **“JUDGE”** means any person appointed to evaluate a Participants’ Memorial or Oral Pleadings.
- **“MOOT PROPOSITION / COMPROMISE”** means the official Compromise including the annexures as well as the evidence and testimonies of the Competition supplemented or corrected by any Compromise Clarifications or Corrections as published by the Administrators.



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- **“MEMORIAL”** means the written submission by each participating Law College / School / University submitted pursuant to the Rules of the Court.
- **“PENALTIES”** mean Point(s) deducted for violation of any Rule by the Participants.
- **“COMPROMISE CLARIFICATIONS”** mean the official clarifications of the Competition Compromise and of the Rules, as published by the Administrators.
- **“PARTICIPANTS”** mean student representatives from eligible Law College / School / University, recognized by the Administrators, participating in the Competition.
- **“RULES OF THE COURT / RULES”** mean the Official Rules of the Tournament and any applicable Supplementary Rules.



a) ELIGIBILITY

i) Students pursuing a 3-Year L.L.B. Degree Course or a 5-Year Integrated LL.B. Degree Course and LL.M. Degree Course from the colleges recognised by the Bar Council of India are eligible to participate in the competition.

b) TEAM COMPOSITION

i) The maximum number of participants per team shall be restricted to 4 wherein 2 members will be Speakers, 1 member shall be a Researcher and 1 member shall be Witness Trainer.

ii) Only the Participant who is a Speaker in all the four Preliminary, 1 Preliminary 2, Semi Final and Final Round's shall be eligible for the award of the Best Speaker.

iii) The identity of the team [name of the Law College / School / University] must not be disclosed to the Judges as well as to the other Participating Teams. Any such disclosure shall lead to disqualification.

iv) The substitution of any member is not allowed except with the prior approval of the Administrators.



v) The identity of the teams shall not be disclosed at any stage, such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of Administrators.

c) LANGUAGE OF THE COMPETITION

i) The competition shall be organized and conducted in the **English Language**.



DRESS CODE

- a) A participant appearing as Advocates before Trial Court shall wear a black coat, white shirt, black pants, white/black salwar suit and, which shall be sober and dignified.
- b) Provided that the participants are **prohibited from disclosing the College Logo OR ID card in the dress.**



REGISTRATION

- a) The Registration fee (per team) for the said competition is Rs. 3000/- (Rupees three thousand only).
- b) Registration fee is to be submitted through the payment gateway provided in the registration form (online payment).
- c) Registration LINK: **<https://forms.gle/kXaNqjLakZL6T9Ye6>**
- d) Forms received after the deadline shall not be considered.
- e) The registration fee is non-refundable.
- f) The registration of a team will be considered complete once the registration fees are paid and the registration form, i.e., through google form, with all necessary details, is received.
- g) No change in the names of the participants shall be permitted after the receipt of the Registration Form, except at the sole discretion of the Administrators.
- h) The registration for the said competition begins on 29th August'22 from 12 Noon onwards.
- i) The last registration date for the said competition is 2nd October 2022.



RULES FOR THE COMPETITION

- a) The Language of the written and oral arguments shall be in English.
- b) The participants shall have to prepare the case for Examination in Chief and Cross Examination of witnesses from both Prosecution & Defence side and prepare their arguments from both sides. Examination in Chief and Cross Examination shall only be conducted orally and no written submissions required for the same.
- c) The competition comprises of Preliminary Rounds and Advanced rounds which would include the Semi-Final Rounds and the Final Rounds.
- d) Each Team would not face the same team in the preliminary rounds, nor would the same bench judge the same team more than once in the preliminary rounds.

CLARIFICATIONS

- a) Each team may make a formal request to the Organising Committee for clarifications regarding the facts stated in the Problem. Clarification requests should comprise of clearly stated questions concerning facts of the case. Provided that the participants are prohibited from asking any “leading questions” in respect of the compromise.



- b) The deadline for requesting clarifications is **3rd October'22**. No requests for clarification received after the deadline will be accepted.
- c) The clarifications are to be mailed to **register.tat2021@gmail.com**.

MEMORIAL

- a) Each team must prepare memorials for the Prosecution & the Defence.
- b) The Cover Page of each memorial must contain the following information:
- Name of the Competition.
 - Name of the Case [Name of the Parties].
 - Party for which the Memorial has been prepared.
 - Name of the court where case is brought.



FORMAT OF THE MEMORIAL

- a) Typing of memorial should be as per specifications given below:
 - i) Paper size - A4 not more than 70 gsm
 - ii) Font size - 12
 - iii) Font type - Times New Roman
 - iv) Line spacing - 1.5
 - v) Margins - 1 inch on each side

SPECIFICATIONS FOR FOOT NOTES ARE GIVEN BELOW:

- a) Font size - 10
- b) Font type - Times New Roman
- c) Line spacing – 1



GUIDELINES

- Memorials once submitted shall not be returned back to the participants in any case nor any amendment shall be allowed after submission of the memorials.
- Memorials shall be submitted in the following format and in the given sequence-
 - (i) Title page (1 page)
 - (ii) Table of contents (1 page)
 - (iii) Index of Authorities along with Bibliography (1 or 2 page)
 - (iv) Statement of Jurisdiction (1 page)
 - (v) Statements of Facts (1 or 2 pages)
 - (vi) Statement of Issues (1 Page)
 - (vii) Summary of Arguments (1 or 2 pages)
 - (viii) The Arguments Advanced (15 page)
 - (ix) Prayer Clause (1 page)
 - (x) List of Witness (1 Page)
 - (xi) Memorials should be typed & attached with soft cover, in Blue Colour - Prosecution and Red colour - Defence.



GUIDELINES

- The soft copies of the memorials must be emailed to **register.tat2021@gmail.com** and the subject of the mail should be marked as “*Memorial Submission by Team Name _____ for 2nd Amity National Trial Advocacy Tournament, 2022*”, by 7th October’22.
- The soft copy of the memorial for each side shall be a single file (All parts of each memorial must be in a single document i.e., Separate Ancillary Pages and Arguments in Detail are NOT allowed) and should be sent in both PDFs (*.pdf) and MS – Word (*.doc / *.docx) versions. The memorial for the Prosecution, the Defence and the Victim(s) should be sent in the same first mail.
- An Orientation Programme will be conducted on the 11th of October 2022 at 3:00 pm, physically on the campus of Amity Law School-Noida, for the Draw of Lots and Memorial Exchange.
- All participant teams are requested to be physically present on the campus by 12:00 pm on the 11th of October 2022, along with 7 Hard Copies of their Memorial.



- In case any team is unable to attend the Orientation Programme on 11th October, then they are required to courier 7 Hard Copies of their Memorial to:

Ms. Gargi Bhadoria, Asst. Prof. - II

Room no. I 3- 404, I block, Amity Law School-Noida,

Amity University U.P. Sector-125, Pin Code-201301.

- A hard copy of the Memorials must be couriered by 10th October'22 positively. A delay will invite a penalty of 5 marks per day.
- The memorials should not contain the name of the participating Law College / School / University, name of the participants, name of the country of the participating Law College / School / University or any identification in any part thereof. Also, no logo or any mark of identification should be made on the memorials. Non-compliance with this rule will lead to immediate disqualification.
- No researcher's test shall be conducted.



ROUNDS

- a) The competition shall run in four rounds, i.e.,
 - i. Preliminary
 - ii. Preliminary II
 - iii. Semi Finals and
 - iv. Final.
- b) All the rounds except Preliminary round shall be the Knock-Out rounds.
- c) In Preliminary I & Preliminary II, all teams shall present their case before the trial court from both the sides respectively. Further, the Administrator will intimate prior to one day before the competition in respect to the team representing in the preliminary round.
- d) Top 4 teams from Preliminary rounds shall qualify to the Semi-Final Rounds.
- e) In deciding the teams for the advanced rounds, the following procedure will be followed:
- f) Teams with the highest number of scores in Preliminary I & Preliminary II Rounds (including the scores of both Preliminary I & Preliminary II).
- g) If in any case ties exist, then the marks of the memorial for the Competition shall be compared to determine the ranking inter se.



WITNESSES

1. All witnesses will be provided by the host institution i.e. Amity Law School Noida.
2. It is mandatory for the Prosecution and the Defence to examine all the witnesses and dropping a witness will result in a loss of marks. However, the order in which witnesses are to be examined shall be determined by the concerned team taking the examination in chief.
3. The team conducting the examination in chief of their witnesses or the team cross-examining the witnesses will desist from arguing with the witnesses.
4. The Witness trainer will train the witnesses, the researcher will give the information on the basis of which he will be trained.
5. The whole team shall be allowed to assist the witness trainer and the researcher during the training session.
6. The teams will be provided with witnesses 1 hour prior to the commencement of the trial proceedings.



a) **PRELIMINARY ROUNDS**

i. The total time of the **Preliminary Rounds shall be 1.5 hours.**

ii. Each Team will have **45 minutes each** to present their case.

iii. This time shall include the time for Re-examination of witnesses by Prosecution and Defence, which will be allowed only on prior permission from the judges in that particular courtroom.

iv. Passing of notes to the speaker will not be allowed during the tournament.



b) SEMI-FINAL & FINAL ROUNDS

- i. The maximum time for the advanced rounds is **2.5 hours**.
- ii. Each team will have **1 hour each** to present their case.
- iii. This time shall include the time for Re-examination of witnesses by Prosecution and Defence, which will be allowed only on prior permission from the judges in that particular courtroom.
- iv. Passing of notes to the speaker will not be allowed during the competition

MARKING

A) MEMORIAL MARKING

MARKING CRITERIA	MARKS ALLOCATED
a. Articulate use of facts	10
b. Use of Law	10
c. Originality of thought	10
d. Grammar and Style	5
e. Correct format and citation	5
f. Use and extent of research	10
TOTAL	50

MARKING

B) ORAL PLEADINGS MARKINGS

MARKING CRITERIA	MARKS ALLOCATED
a. Appreciation and Application of facts	10
b. Application of legal principles/questions on legal principles	10
c. Use of authorities and precedents/suggestive questions	10
d. Presentation Skills	5
e. Clarity of thoughts and logical structure of argument/questions	10
f. Poise and Demeanour	5
g. Strategy	5
h. Knowledge of laws/ on logical and circumstantial questions	10
i. Response to court questions	10
j. Ability to elicit favourable facts from the witnesses	10
k. Ability to successfully conduct the examination in chief and cross examination in time	15
TOTAL	100



- a. Any case law or any other relevant material which the team may wish to rely on at the time of final arguments may be submitted to the judges in the form of a compendium.
- b. Such a compendium should bear a cover page containing only the team name and representation.
- c. Such a compendium should not bear the name of the institution and failure to do the same shall result in immediate disqualification.
- d. Participants should mail their compendium at **register.tat2021@gmail.com**.



PENALTIES

- a. Where on receipt of a complaint or otherwise Administrator has reason to believe that any participant in the Competition has been guilty of any offence or other misconduct, it shall refer the case for disposal to the organising committee.
- b. Any Participant who withdraws from the competition at any stage, for any reason, shall be strictly punished in accordance with the declaration form signed by him/her. The registration fee shall not be refundable.

ANONOMITY

- a. Student Counsel may introduce himself/herself to the court in the usual manner and may also state their speaker code. However, the team's college name shall not be indicated to the judges at any time.
- b. All team members must refrain from disclosing the identity of their institution at any time and in any manner, during the course of their participation in the competition.



ANONIMITY

- c. However, during the course of their Oral Rounds, the speakers may state their name along with their team code; however, any reference to Caste, Creed, Religion or Place must be restricted.
- d. Teams must take special care while referring to written material, as the same should not indicate any reference to their institution.
- e. Non-Compliance with this rule may result in immediate disqualification of the team.



PRIZES WORTH RS. 1 LAKH

- a. Participation certificate which will be awarded to all the participants and merit certificates and trophies will be awarded to their respective winners.
- b. The exact bifurcation of the prize money shall be revealed in the orientation.



INSPECTION OF SCORE SHEETS

- a. Each team will be provided with scanned copies of the Oral Rounds score sheets within 10 days of the completion of the Competition through email.
- b. Irrespective of the stage of the competition, no team will be given access to score sheets concerning matches in which the said team was not involved.

MISCELLANEOUS

- a. If any one of the members of a team is notified or informed of any detail or information concerning the Competition, it shall be deemed as if the said team as a whole has been duly notified or informed.
- b. The Problem for the Competition is neither intended to nor does it attempt to resemble any incident or any person, living or dead. Any such resemblance is purely coincidental. The problem is a fictitious factual account prepared for the present Competition only and it does not attempt to influence or predict the outcome of any matter whatsoever.



MISCELLANEOUS

c. The Organizers reserve the right to amend, alter, vary or change, in any manner whatsoever, the Rules governing the Competition, which would be communicated to the teams within a reasonable time.

d. The participants must arrange their accommodation on their own, no accommodation will be provided by the institution.



IMPORTANT DATES

- a. Opening dates: 29th August 2022.
- b. Closing dates: 2nd October 2022
- c. Submission of memorial: 7th October 2022
- d. Clarification dates: 3rd October 2022
- e. Date of Orientation: 11th October 2022
- f. Date of Event: 12th October 2022

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