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NATIONAL LEVEL MOOT COURT COMPETITION - 2024

Date: July 29th to 31st 2024 Time: 10.00 am Venue: School of Law

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The Selvam Educational and Charitable Trust, Vadakangulam was established in the year 1984 under the **Chairmanship of Dr. S.A. Raja**, a popular philanthropist and educationist hailing from Vadakkangulam with a vision to facilitate quality education especially for socially and economically deprived younger generation and to equip and enrich young men and women to meet global challenges in development, innovation and application of technology for the service of humanity thereby, leading to include core human values through ethical practices and inspire them to serve the society. The trust has established more than 30 Higher Educational Institutions in Engineering, Medicine, Dental, Pharmacy, Law, Polytechnic, Nursing, Agriculture and Arts and Science. Apart from establishing various Institutions, the Trust has been involved in promoting various Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR) such as Deaf and Dumb Association, Blood Donation camps, Eye camps, Tree plantation, Swatch Bharath, etc.

Joy University School of Law (JU-SOL) under the able leadership of **Dr. S. A. Joy Raja**, **Chancellor** and guidance of **Prof. Dr. Rajesh S**, **Vice Chancellor**, aims to enable the students with excellent legal studies through the combination of exposure to the advanced syllabus, legal education programmes and faculty monitored participation in curricular and extra curricular activities. JU-SOL programme structure enhance practical knowledge of the students through moot courts along with the legal education. It helps the students to shine as advocates, judges, policy makers, corporate legal consultants and academicians and also prepare for new age careers. JU-SOL prepares students to become highly professionals in legal education to meet the emerging challenges of working in a globalized knowledge economy in which the organization of law and legal practice are undergoing a paradigm shift.

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MOOT PROBLEM

Veridia's auto sector is a dynamic hub, contributing significantly to the country's economic growth. Prominent companies like Stellar Motors, Galactic Automotives, and Autocraft dominate the market. These companies showcase innovation, producing a diverse range of vehicles from affordable small cars to robust SUVs. The industry plays a crucial role in job creation and technological advancements, fostering a robust manufacturing ecosystem. With a focus on electric vehicles and sustainable practices, Veridia's auto sector aligns with global trends, ensuring a promising future for both the industry and the nation's economic landscape.

AutoCraft, an Veridian company specializing in the production of automobile components with its primary facility located in Bengalurum. In 2017, the company drew up expansion plans to establish a new plant in the state of Webangalam. To fund this expansion, the company entered into various agreements with multiple banks and financial institutions between March 2021 and January 2022.

One of the lenders, Global Trust Finance, headquartered in Cyprus but with a branch office in Mumba Bay, entered into a Facility Agreement with AutoCraft on April 22, 2021, for the disbursement of £15 million. Crown Financial Services, an Veridian financial institution, was appointed as a facility agent and security trustee for this loan. However due to protests in Webangalam in early 2021 led to the withdrawal of permission for the plant setup, causing significant losses and a sharp decline in AutoCraft's share value.

Following an invitation from the Government of Gajland to set up the plant near Oasis City, AutoCraft and Global Trust Finance (GTF) entered into another Facility Agreement on July 23, 2021, for £2 million. Additionally, on August 20, 2021, AutoCraft signed a loan agreement with All Veridiana Capital (AVC) for an amount of 7 Million. Crown Financial Services continued its role as a debenture trustee for both agreements.

In the midst of a global crisis triggered by the collapse of the subprime lending markets in the US in mid-2022 and the subsequent downturn of the automobile sector in September 2022, AutoCraft defaulted on payments to Global Trust Finance (GTF) and All Veridiana Capital (AVC). Consequently, the company opted for a Corporate Debt Restructuring scheme to settle its outstanding debts.

On March 13, 2023, a meeting of all creditors convened to propose the restructuring plan. Unsecured creditors agreed to receive reduced amounts with a 30% hair cut, while secured creditors were eligible for a 20% repayment within 2 months of High Court approval.

AutoCraft approached the Oasis High Court to convene a meeting of the four classes of creditors, which took place on April 23, 2023.

Global Trust Finance, now positioned as the sole objector to the Corporate Debt Restructuring proposal, was classified as a secured creditor with a floating charge for the April 22, 2021 agreement and with a fixed charge for the July 23, 2021, agreement. Global Trust Finance filed objections with the High Court against the scheme, but the Single Judge rejected all objections, approving the classification. Crown Financial Services was appointed as a supervisor to oversee the repayment of 20% of debts to secured creditors.

To repay debts, Crown Financial Services decided to auction AutoCraft's assets, including part of the Manufacturing Plant in Bengalurum. Global Trust Finance was unhappy with the action and filed a petition, alleging a violation of natural justice. The Chief Justice consolidated the appeals, bringing the matter before the High Court under relevant laws.

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School of Law National Level Moot Court Competition, 2024

RULES AND REGULATIONS

DATE OF COMPETITION

29th to 31st July, 2024

LANGUAGE

The language of the competition shall be English

ELIGIBILITY

Law Schools / Colleges / Institutes / Universities, recognized by the Bar Council of India are eligible to participate in the National Level Moot Court Competition, 2024. The participants should currently be pursuing their Bachelor's Degree in Law, i.e. Three Year or Five Year Law Courses.

COMPOSITION OF TEAMS

Each team shall comprise of two Mooter's and may also have a Researcher.

REGISTRATION

1) The Participating team shall duly fill the Registration Form Provided and send it along with the Registration fee of **Rs. 4,000/-** (Rupees Four Thousand only), which is not refundable. However, where an application is not accepted, the Registration fee will be refunded. The Registration shall be sent through Demand Draft drawn in favour of **JOY UNIVERSITY** and THE LAST DATE FOR SUBMITTING THE REGISTRATION FORM WITH FEE IS **03-05-2024**. Spot registration will not be entertained. However the dean school of law, Moot Court Committee shall have discretion to entertain late application. The first 20 teams duly registered will be considered.

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2) UPI ID: Joy University@tmb

Each team shall be allotted a Team Code after Registration.

STRUCTURE OF ROUNDS

The oral rounds shall comprise of: A) Preliminary Rounds B) Quarter Final Rounds C) Semi Final Rounds D) Final Round

A) PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

There shall be two Preliminary Rounds. Each team will be given the opportunity to argue on both sides (i.e. Petitioner and Respondent) in the Preliminary Rounds which shall be determined by way of drawing of lots. Each team shall get a total of 30 minutes to present its case. This time will include five minutes of rebuttal. The division of time between the speakers is at the discretion of team members, subject to a maximum of 20 minutes for any one speaker. Before the commencement of arguments, each team shall inform to the Court Clerk as to how it wishes to allocate its 30 minutes.

The top teams based on cumulative marks (written



and oral submissions) shall qualify for the Quarter Final Rounds. In case of a tie, memorial score will be considered to break the tie. If the memorial marks are equal, then the speaker scores will be considered to break the tie. If the tie is not broken, then the team to advance to the Quarter final rounds will be decided by drawing of lots.

B) QUARTER FINAL ROUNDS

In the Quarter Final round, each team shall argue for only one side, which shall be determined by drawing of lots. On the basis of knock-out, 4 (four) teams shall advance to the Semi Final rounds. The rules governing the preliminary rounds regarding time are applicable to Quarter Final rounds.

In case of tie, the speaker scores scored at the Quarter Final rounds will be considered to determine team qualifying for the Semi Final rounds. If still tie is not broken, then the team advancing to the Semi final rounds will be decided by drawing of lots.

SEMI FINAL ROUNDS

The rules governing the Quarter Final rounds shall be mutatis mutandis applicable to the Semi Final rounds. On the basis of knock – out, two teams shall advance to the final round.

FINAL ROUND

In the final round also each team shall argue for only one side which shall be determined by way of drawing of lots. Each team shall get a total of 45 minutes to present its case. This time will include rebuttal. The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 25 minutes for any one speaker (including rebuttal time).

In case of tie, the rules governing Quarter Final and Semi Final rounds shall be mutatis mutandis applicable to final round.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS

Each team shall submit 4 sets of written memorials (4 Petitioner's and 4 Respondent's memorials) & carry 4 sets of memorials with them. The Cover Pages of the memorials for the Petitioners shall be in blue and for the Respondents shall be in red.

The identity of the institution/team shall not be revealed for any reason and in any form whatsoever, anywhere in the memorials. After the cover page next page should be the name of the college/institution which will be removed later after giving code.

A soft copy shall be mailed to **moot2024@joyuniversity.edu.in** only in MS Word 2003 (DOC) or PDF format on or before **15/07/2024.**

The hard copies of the memorials shall be submitted on or before **15/07/2024**, failure of which may result in cancellation of registration of the team. The hard copies of the memorial shall be printed from the DOC or PDF sent as soft copy. For evaluation of the memorial, either the hard copy or the soft copy may be used at the convenience of the organizers.

The written memorials shall conform to the set standards.

1) Written submissions shall be printed on one side of white standard A4 size paper with margins of one inch (2.5 cms) on all sides except the left side where margin shall be of 1.5 inch (3.75 cms).

2) The font and size of the text used in all parts of the written submissions (except the covers) shall be in 12 point Times New Roman and footnotes shall be in 10 point Times New Roman.

3) The text in all parts of each written submission shall have 1.5 lines spacing except the text of footnotes and headings which shall be single spaced.

4) The comprehensive arguments with appropriate citations shall be contained in the Pleadings. The teams shall follow the 19th edition of the Bluebook mode of citation.

CONTENTS OF WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS:

The written submission shall include the following:



- I Cover Page
 II Table of Contents
 III Index of Authorities
 IV Statement of Jurisdiction
 V Questions Presented
 VI Statement of Facts
- VII Summary of Pleadings
- VIII Pleadings
- IX Prayer
- X Appendix (Optional)
- XI Exhibits (Optional)

The Pleadings shall not exceed 20 pages.

MARKING CRITERIA FOR MEMORIALS

- I. Knowledge of facts and law (10)
- II. Proper and articulate analysis (10)
- III. Extent and use of research (10)
- IV. Clarity & Organization (10)
- V. Citation of sources (5)
- VI. Grammar and style (5)

MARKING CRITERIA FOR ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- I. Knowledge of law (25)
- II. Application of law to facts (20)
- III. Ingenuity and ability to answer questions (25)
- IV. Style, poise, courtesy and demeanor (10)
- V. Time management and organization (10)
- VI. Language and Presentation (10)

DISPUTES

Any dispute about the Moot Court Competition shall be referred to the Organizing Committee before commencement of next round of the competition. In all matters of complaints or disputes, the decision of the Organizing Committee shall be final.

DRESS CODE

The official Dress Code for the Competition is as below:

Gentleman: Black Trousers, White Shirt, Black Blazer, Black Neck Tie and Black Formal Shoes.

Ladies: Black Trousers, White Shirt, Black Blazer and Black Formal Shoes.

AWARDS

Trophies and cash prizes shall be awarded to the Winner **Rs. 25000/-** Runners Up **Rs. 15,000/-**, Best Memorial **Rs. 10,000/-** and two Best Speakers **Rs.5000/-** each, one male and one female. All participants will be awarded Certificates of Participation and the winners will receive Certificates of Merit.

ACCOMMODATION

Outstation participants will be provided with accommodation for the duration of the competition. Only the registered three (3) members' team shall be provided accommodation. Any extra member shall make his/her own arrangements for the same. Girls and boys shall be allowed separate accommodation. They have to maintain strict discipline and desist from causing any annoyance, disturbance or any other inconvenience to other guests staying in the hostel. Any violation of this rule by any member of the team will lead to disqualification of the team and they will have to arrange for their own accommodation.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Scouting shall lead to the instant disqualification of the team.
- In case of an odd number of teams, the host institution shall constitute a team only for the Preliminary rounds so as to prevent ex-parte proceedings in any court.
- Moot problem being the property School of Law, Joy University, shall not be used by any other college, institution etc, save with the written permission of School of Law, Joy University.
- The organizers will not defray the TA/DA of the participating teams. However local hospitality will be provided to the participants.
- The organizers reserve the right to use the Memorials submitted to them after the competition as they deem appropriate.



- Any clarifications on the moot problem may be sought by sending email to **moot2024@joyuniversity.edu.in**
- All participants shall maintain the decorum throughout the competition and are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the legal profession, whether in the Court Hall or outside.
- Use of mobile phone in any form during the competition is strictly forbidden. Violating team may lose marks or may be disqualified in extreme circumstances.

- Consumption of any tobacco related product and any intoxicating product is strictly forbidden on the college campus.
- The organizers reserve the right to alter, modify, amend, add to or change any of the rules mentioned above and also date of competition at any time without any prior notice.

IMPORTANT DATE

LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION03-05-2024SUBMISSION OF SOFT COPY15-07-2024SUBMISSION OF HARD COPY15-07-2024



Inauguration of Moot Court Hall by Ladyship Mrs. Justice L. C. Victoria Gowri Judge, Madras High Court





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