

**The Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition  
The 2010 Russian National Rounds**

**The Russian National Supplement  
to the 2010 Official Rules of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court  
Competition**

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The Russian National Supplement to the Official Rules (the "Supplement") of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2010 (the "Competition") has been promulgated by the Russian National Administrator with the approval of the Executive Director of the International Law Students Association (ILSA). The Supplement is intended to facilitate the conduct of the Russian National Championship. It completes and, wherever necessary and expressly stated, replaces the Official Rules of the Competition.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 1.0 Organization of the Competition**

**1.1.1. Administration of the Russian National Championship**

The Russian National Championship is administered by White & Case LLC (4, Romanov Pereulok, 125009 Moscow, Russia, telephone: + 7 495 787 3000, fax: + 7 495 787 3001, e-mail: [opryanichnikova@whitecase.com](mailto:opryanichnikova@whitecase.com)) and the Russian National Administrator of the Competition (the "National Administrator") Maria Issaeva (Threefold, Ltd, telephone +7 495 778-66-61, e-mail: [Maria.Issaeva@threefold.ru](mailto:Maria.Issaeva@threefold.ru)). The above-mentioned persons are jointly referred to as the "Russian National Administration")

**1.5.1 Interpretation of the Supplement**

Any questions as to the interpretation of the Supplement shall be addressed to the National Administrator. The Executive Director shall serve as final arbiter in implementation and interpretation of the Supplement. No other person has the authority to interpret the Supplement.

If any Team relies to its detriment on an interpretation by any person other than the National Administrator, such reliance will not prevent a penalty from being imposed later if the National Administrator's interpretation differs.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 2.2 Team Composition and Selection**

This Supplement replaces Official Rules 2.2.1 and 2.2.2:

**2.2.1 Minimum requirements for Team Member eligibility**

A person may be a member of a Team if he or she:

- (a) is pursuing a law degree or an international law-related degree; and
- (b) is enrolled at an eligible institution as a full-time or part-time student during the relevant academic year and plans to participate in the Competition on behalf of that institution; and
- (c) has not engaged in the practice of law or teaching of public international law in any jurisdiction after graduating from any type of law degree program (in particular, has not been admitted to the Russian bar ("*Advokatura*"))

## **2.2.2 Executive Director's written permission required in certain cases**

In addition to satisfying Rule 2.2.1, a person must additionally obtain the written permission of the Executive Director to be a member of the Team, if the person:

(a) is enrolled as a visiting or exchange student rather than a degree candidate, or is otherwise enrolled at more than one institution; or

(b) is serving as an extern or apprentice; or

(c) has already received a graduate or post-graduate degree in a legal field in Russia or an equivalent degree in any other country; or

(d) is enrolled in post-graduate studies at a Russian university ("*Aspirantura*") or another equivalent program of study leading to a post-graduate degree in a legal field in any other country.

### **2.2.2.1 National Administrator's written permission required in certain cases**

In addition to satisfying Rule 2.2.1 and 2.2.2, a person must additionally obtain the written permission of the National Administrator if the person underwent a traineeship at White & Case LLC or in any other manner is associated with White & Case LLC.

## **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 2.4 Outside Assistance to Teams**

### **2.4.8 Absentee Coaches**

The Jessup National Administrator may choose to provide Russian Teams with an Absentee Coach upon request from a team accompanied by the initial list of questions to an Absentee Coach. An Absentee Coach is an experienced former competitor or a Jessup advisor, who offers his or her assistance to one Russian Team via internet. The scope of such assistance is limited by Official Rule 2.4.

Furthermore, the Russian Jessup Charter of Coaching establishes Codes of Conduct Standards for both the Teams and Absentee Coaches and may be used as a guide to establishing a sound and fruitful coaching cooperation.

### **2.4.9 A Team Advisor who is an employee of White & Case LLC**

A person who is in any manner associated with White & Case LLC and who is willing to become a Team Advisor must notify the National Administrator of his or her intention. Each employee of White & Case LLC serving as a Team Advisor shall comply with the Internal Guidelines concerning participation of White & Case employees in the Competition and shall bear in mind that receiving outside assistance, making use of the Bench Memorandum or revealing the identity of a school can result in disqualification from the Competition according to Official Rules 2.4.2, 2.5 and 2.8.

### **2.4.10 A Team Member or a Team Advisor who is an employee of Threefold Ltd**

A person who is in any manner associated with Threefold Ltd and who is willing to become a Team Member or Team Advisor must give the Executive Director a written confirmation, in form and substance satisfactory to the Executive Director, that he or she has, and will have, no

access to any confidential material in connection with the Competition held or developed by Threefold Ltd.

### **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 3.0 Team Registration**

#### **3.1.1 Russian Team Registration Form**

In addition to registering with ILSA, Russian Teams must send their completed Russian Team Registration Form to the Russian Competition Coordinator at [opryanichnikova@whitecase.com](mailto:opryanichnikova@whitecase.com) by the registration deadline set in both the ILSA Official Schedule and the Russian National Championship Schedule (**4 December 2009**). It will not be possible to register after this date.

There is no additional fee to register for the Russian Tournament.

It is the responsibility of the Team to ensure that students are eligible under the provisions of Rule 2.0 before they begin work on the Competition.

### **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 3.6 Changes to Registration Information**

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 3.6:

#### **3.6 Changes to Registration Information**

Teams must promptly notify the ILSA Executive Office and the Russian National Administration of any changes or additions to registration information. This includes changes to the composition of the Team, the addition of Team Advisors, or changes to contact or mailing information. This reporting obligation continues throughout the course of the Competition Year until the Team has been eliminated from the Competition.

NOTE: In accordance with Rule 2.2, no more than five individuals may contribute to the work product of the Team over the course of the Competition Year. Additional Team Members may be added before the registration deadline in the Official Schedule if the maximum of five Team Members has not yet been reached. Team Members may not be substituted at any time after the release of the official Compromis except in extenuating circumstances and only with the written permission of the ILSA Executive Office.

### **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 5.1.2 Outside Assistance to Teams**

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 5.1.2:

#### **5.1.2 Team Advisors**

Team Advisors, or other persons directly affiliated with a Team, except for Absentee Coaches of Russian Teams appointed in accordance with Rule 2.4.8 of this Supplement, may not act as judges in any Tournament until the Team they advise has been eliminated from the Competition. The Russian National Administrator shall strive to avoid participation of Absentee Coaches of Russian Teams as judges of the Russian National Championship.

### **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 6.1 (b) Submission of Memorials**

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 6.1 (b):

Submission of Memorials by Russian Teams on 12 January 2010 shall be made simultaneously at the following e-mail addresses:

**Russian National Administration:** [jessup@threefold.ru](mailto:jessup@threefold.ru)

AND

**Executive Office of the International Law Students Association:** [jessup@ilsa.org](mailto:jessup@ilsa.org)

Memorials should be submitted in a single e-mail message addressed both to the Jessup National Administrator and ILSA.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 6.1.2 Memorials Submitted in Languages Other Than English**

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 6.1.2:

**6.1.2 Language of the Memorials**

The official language of the Competition is English. Teams may not submit memorials in any language other than English.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 7.1 General Oral Pleading Procedures**

**7.1.2 Attire**

Competing students shall wear business attire during their oral pleadings and judges may wear gowns. The wearing of gowns by the competing students during their oral pleadings is not permitted.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 7.6 Competition Communications**

**7.6.4 Courtesy**

A judge shall address an oralist as "Agent" or "Counsel".

An oralist shall, when addressing the Court as a whole, use the expression "Your Excellencies". The President of the Court shall be addressed as "Madam President" or "Mister President". An individual judge of the Court shall be addressed as "Your Excellency".

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 7.8 Interpreters and the Use of Interpreters**

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 7.8:

The official language of the Competition is English. Teams may not present their oral pleadings in any language other than English.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 8.0 Qualifying tournament procedures**

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 8.0:

**OFFICIAL RULE 8.0 Qualifying tournament procedures of the Russian National Championship**

**8.1 Preliminary Rounds**

8.1 Each Team participating in the Russian National Championship shall participate in Preliminary Rounds consisting of four (4) Oral Rounds, twice as Applicant and twice as Respondent.

### **8.1.1 Pairings**

The pairing of Teams for Preliminary Rounds shall be done by a random draw. The Administrator may modify the pairings to accounts for absent Teams or other contingencies. If Teams must be newly paired, they must be provided with their new opponents' Memorials as soon as reasonably possible, but at the very least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the newly paired round.

## **8.2 Advanced Rounds**

The Advanced Rounds of the Russian National Championship consist of the Run-off Rounds (if applicable in accordance with Rule 8.2.1 below), the Octafinal Rounds (if applicable in accordance with Rule 8.2.2 below), the Quarterfinal Rounds, the Semifinal Rounds and the Final Round of the Russian National Championship.

The pairings in the Run-off (or, if applicable, Octafinal Rounds), Quarterfinal and Semifinal Rounds of the Russian National Championship shall be determined by use of "power-seeding", i.e. the highest-ranked Team shall compete against the lowest-ranked Team; the second-highest-ranked Team shall compete against the second-lowest-ranked Team, etc. For purposes of this Rule, all rankings shall be determined by the final standings of the Preliminary Rounds.

Prior to each of the Advanced Rounds, the Jessup National Administrator shall toss a coin, and the higher-ranked Team in that pairing shall call the toss. The Team winning the toss shall select which side it will argue within twenty (20) minutes. If that Team fails to make a selection, the other Team shall select which side it will argue within ten (10) minutes. If that Team fails to make a selection, then the higher-ranked Team shall argue Applicant and the lower-ranked Team shall argue Respondent.

The Jessup National Administrator will then notify each Team which side it will be arguing and will deliver to each Team one copy of its opponent's Memorial.

### **8.2.1 Run-off Rounds**

If forty (40) to fifty (50) teams participate in the Russian National Championship, the Run-off Rounds shall be held. The Run-off Rounds consist of four (4) pairings of the eight (8) Teams ranked fifth (5th) through twelfth (12th) from the Preliminary Rounds.

### **8.2.2. Octafinal Rounds**

If more than fifty (50) teams participate in the Russian National Championship, the Jessup National Administrator, acting in the best interests of the Competition, may choose to replace Run-off Rounds with Octafinal Rounds. The Octafinal Rounds shall consist of eight (8) pairings of the sixteen (16) Teams ranked first (1<sup>st</sup>) through sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) from the Preliminary Rounds.

### **8.2.3 Quarterfinal Rounds**

(a) If the Run-off Rounds are held, the Quarterfinal Rounds of the Russian National Championship shall consist of four (4) pairings of the four (4) Teams ranked first (1st) through fourth (4th) from the Preliminary Rounds, and the 4 (four) Teams that win a match in the Run-off Rounds.

(b) If the Octafinal Rounds are held, the Quarterfinal Rounds of the Russian National Championship shall consist of four (4) pairings of the eight (8) Teams that win a match in the Octafinal Rounds.

(c) If neither the Run-off Rounds nor the Octafinal Rounds are held, the Quarterfinal Rounds of the Russian National Championship shall consist of four (4) pairings of the eight (8) teams ranked first (1<sup>st</sup>) through eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) from the Preliminary Rounds.

**8.2.4. Semifinal Rounds**

The Semifinal Rounds of the Russian National Championship consist of two (2) pairings of each of the four (4) Teams that win a match in the Quarterfinal Rounds.

**8.2.5. Final Round of the Russian National Championship**

The two (2) winning Teams from the Semifinal Rounds shall advance to the Final Round of the Russian National Championship.

**8.2.6. Ranking of Teams after the Advanced Rounds**

(a) Upon the completion of the Advanced Rounds and the Final Round the ranking of the Advanced Rounds Teams shall be as follows:

- Russian National Champion Team
- Russian National Runner-Up Team
- Semifinalist Teams
- Quarterfinalist Teams
- Octafinalist or Run-off Teams

(b) Semifinalist, Quarterfinalist and Octafinalist or Run-off Teams shall be ranked 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> (16<sup>th</sup>) places according to their results from the Preliminary Rounds.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 11. Penalties**

11.1.1 Plagiarism

Teams shall not plagiarize. Plagiarism means the act of appropriating the literary composition of another, or parts or passages of another’s writings, or the ideas or language of another, and passing them off as the product of one’s own mind, either through exact duplication of another’s work or by lifting substantial portions without attribution.

After investigation and review, in a verified case of plagiarism an Administrator shall assess a penalty between one (1) and twenty (20) points in the following manner:

Description of a violation	Penalty	
Exact duplication of another's writings with attribution (omitted quotation marks)	1-5 violations	5 points
	over 5 violations	10 points
Lifting of another's writings without attribution	1-3 violations	up to 10 points
	over 3 violations	20 points

	Egregious violations throughout a memorial shall be penalized by imposing 0 as the total memorial score for such memorial and assessing a 15-point discretionary penalty under Official Rule 11.2.4 for exhibiting blatant disregard for the procedures or requirements outlined in the Rules. The penalty will be deducted from each judge's combined score in accordance with Official Rule 11.2.3.
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The Russian national administrator shall refer all allegations of plagiarism to the ILSA Executive Office. After investigation and review, the ILSA Executive Director may do one or both of the following: (1) disqualify the team; (2) notify the team's dean and/or other university official(s) of the results of the ILSA Executive Office's investigation.

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 12.0 Awards**

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 12.0:

**12.1 Russian National Championship Awards**

The following awards shall be presented at the Russian National Championship:

Team Awards

- Russian National Champion Team (which shall proceed to the International Tournament);
- Russian National Runner-Up Team (which shall proceed to the International Tournament);
- Third Place Team (which shall proceed to the International Tournament);
- Fourth Place Team (which shall proceed to the International Tournament);
- Fifth and Sixth Place Teams (which may proceed to the International Tournament depending on a review of the number of participating teams at the Oral Rounds and on a review by the Russian national administrator and decision by the ILSA Executive Director).

Memorial Awards

- First Place Memorial, which shall advance to compete in the Hardy C. Dillard Competition;
- Second Place Memorial;
- Third Place Memorial;
- Fourth Place Memorial.

Oralist Awards

- First Place Oralist;
- Second Place Oralist;
- Third Place Oralist;
- Fourth Place Oralist;
- Fifth Place Oralist;
- Sixth Place Oralist;
- Seventh Place Oralist;
- Eighth Place Oralist;
- Ninth Place Oralist;
- Tenth Place Oralist.