

# **Georgian National Supplement**

**Jessup Georgian Rounds | Edition 2015** 

For the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

#### THE GEORGIAN NATIONAL SUPPLEMENT

#### to the 2015 Official Rules of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

The Georgian National Supplement to the Official Rules (the "Supplement") of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2015 (the "Competition") has been promulgated by the Georgian National Administrator with the approval of the Executive Director (the "Executive Director") of the International Law Students Association ("ILSA"). The Supplement is intended to facilitate the conduct of the Georgian National Championship. It completes and, wherever necessary and expressly stated, replaces the Official Rules of the Competition.

#### Article 1. Administration of the Georgian National Championship

The Georgian National Championship is administered by the Georgian National Administrator of the Competition (the "National Administrator") Ms. Nino Dundua (Phone: +995 557 598 145, E-mail: ninodundua@gmail.com).

#### **Article 2. 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.

#### Article 3. 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. intends to compete on behalf of an eligible institution at which he or she is enrolled as a full-time
- or part-time student as of either (i) the Team Member registration deadline, (ii) the institution's Qualifying Rounds, or (iii) the International Rounds; and
- c. has not engaged in the practice of law in any jurisdiction after graduating from any type of law

degree program (in particular, has not been admitted to the Georgian bar); and

d. has never participate as judge, either of Memorials or in any Oral Round.

## **Article 4. Team Advisors**

Team Advisors, or other persons directly affiliated with a Team may not act as judges in any

Tournament until the Team they advise has been eliminated from the Competition. The Georgian National Administrator shall strive to avoid participation of Coaches of Georgian Teams as judges of the Georgian National Championship.

#### **Article 5. Submission of Memorials**

Each Team must submit its Applicant and Respondent Memorials to the ILSA Executive Office via its Team Homepage (available through http://www.ilsa.org), and send its Applicant and Respondent Memorials to the Georgian National Administrator by e-mail at the following e-mail address: <a href="mailto:ninodundua@gmail.com">ninodundua@gmail.com</a>, no later than 23:59 Tbilisi time (UTC/GMT +4 hours) on 14 January 2015. Submission to the Georgian National Administrator must occur in a single e-mail message, addressed to the Georgian National Administrator, with both Memorials attached. If one of the Memorials will be submitted late, a Team may separately submit the timely memorial online through its Team Homepage and send the timely Memorial to the Georgian National Administrator before the deadline without penalty. The official time of submission for the purpose of calculating late penalties at the International Rounds is the time each individual Memorial is uploaded to a Team's Homepage, and the official time of submission for the purpose of calculating late penalties at the Georgian National Championship is the time each individual Memorial is sent to <a href="mailto:ninodundua@gmail.com">ninodundua@gmail.com</a>

#### Article 7. General Oral Pleading Procedures - 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.

#### **Article 8. Competition Communications - 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".

# Article 9. The Georgian National Championship Procedure 9.1 Preliminary Rounds

Each Team participating in the Georgian National Championship shall participate in Preliminary Rounds consisting of two (2) Oral Rounds, as Applicant and as Respondent.

### 9.2 Final Round of the Georgian National Championship

The two (2) winning Teams from the Preliminary Rounds shall advance to the Final Round of the Georgian National Championship. The Georgian National Champion Award shall be assessed only from the final rounds.

#### 9.3 Tie-breaking procedure

a. In the event of a tie, the National Champion shall be determined based on each Team's "raw points" and then each Team's combined "round points", as defined in Official Rule 10.

b. If this is not enough to break the tie, the two Teams shall compete in a single knock-out Round within 24 hours, the winner of which shall advance to the International Rounds. In such an event, the side each Team will argue shall be determined by a draw.

c. The bench for such Round will be selected by the National Administrator, without any limitation.

## **Article 10. Georgian National Championship Awards**

The following awards shall be presented at the conclusion of the National Rounds:

- National Champion;
- Best Memorial, to the Team with the best combined average score for both memorials;
- Best Oralist, to the individual with the best average score.

#### **Article 11. Anonymity Rule**

- a. Team members, coaches, faculty advisors and any other individual affiliated with any team may not disclose to Judges any information that might reveal which University or Faculty they represent.
- b. The National Administrators may take any reasonable measure they consider necessary in order to ensure the implementation of the anonymity rule during all stages of the competition, until the completion of the National Rounds tournament.

## **Article 12. Videotaping**

- a. No videotaping of the Rounds shall be allowed, except with the explicit consent of all judges and oralists.
- b. The recordings shall be distributed to the teams after the completion of the international rounds in Washington, D.C.

#### **Article 13. Spectators**

- a. The oral rounds shall be open only to the registered people
- b. Judges shall not be allowed to attend any round as spectators, unless they have already judged all rounds they were scheduled for and the National Administrators do not need them as back-up judges for a subsequent round.

#### **Article 14. Penalties**

- a. The National Administrators shall apply any penalties, if necessary, according to the official rules and this supplement.
- b. Teams may appeal any decision or penalty of the National Administrators to the ILSA Executive Office. Such appeals must be in writing and sent to the ILSA Executive Director without delay.
- c. In case the application of any penalty would have any effect on the final results, the announcement of the results shall be postponed until the final decision on the penalty.