

THE GEORGIAN NATIONAL SUPPLEMENT
to the 2017 Official Rules of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

The Georgian National Supplement to the Official Rules ("**Supplement**") of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2017 ("**Competition**") has been promulgated by the Georgian National Administrator with the approval of the Executive Director ("**Executive Director**") of the International Law Students Association ("**ILSA**"). The Supplement is intended to facilitate the conduct of the Georgian National Rounds. 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 Rounds are administered by National Administrator approved by the ILSA Executive Office:

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Article 2. Georgian National Rounds

Georgian National Rounds ("**National Rounds**") will be held at the [Supreme Court of Georgia](#) (Address: 32 Zubalashvilebi street; Tbilisi, 0108, Georgia) on 25-26 February 2017.

Article 3. Georgian National Supplement

3.1. Any questions as to the interpretation of the Supplement shall be addressed to the National Administrator. No other person has the authority to interpret the Supplement.

3.2. ILSA Executive Director shall serve as final arbiter in implementation and interpretation of the Supplement.

3.3. 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.

3.4. Unless stipulated above, the Official Rules for the 2017 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition shall apply, and ILSA Executive Director and the National Administrator will jointly take charge of National Rounds.

3.5. In case of the unpredictable events (that might happen during the course of the National Rounds) the National Administrator shall proceed at its discretion for the best interests of all the Teams and the Competition.

Article 4. 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/international relations-related degree; and
- b. 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
- c. has never participated as judge, either of Memorials or in any Oral Round.

Article 5. Team Advisors

Team Advisors, or other persons directly affiliated with a Team may not act as judges in National Rounds until the Team they advise has been eliminated from the Competition. The National Administrator shall strive to avoid participation of Team Advisors as judges of the National Rounds.

Article 6. Memorials

6.1. Each team participating in the Competition must prepare one Applicant and one Respondent Memorial.

6.2. 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: jessupge@gmail.com, no later than 23:59 Tbilisi time (UTC/GMT +4 hours) on 13 January 2017. 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 Rounds is the time each individual Memorial is sent to jessupge@gmail.com.

6.3. All electronic and paper copy versions (if any) submitted to the ILSA Executive Office and the Georgian National Administrator must be identical. Once submitted to the ILSA Executive Office, Memorials may not be resubmitted or altered.

6.4. Equipment failure or problems will not be considered an excuse for improper formatting or late mailing of Memorials.

Article 7. National Rounds

7.1. Team Orientation Session

National Administrator will hold a Team Orientation Session at least two (2) days prior to the first day of the Georgian National Rounds in order to distribute Competition materials and interpret the National Rules Supplement. Information regarding date and venue of the Team Orientation Session will be e-mailed to the Registered Teams. All Teams are expected to designate at least one (1) Registered Team Member to attend. Any Team absent from the Team Orientation Session may not validly complain that it was not given proper notice of a rule change or updates under this Supplement and/or 2017 Official Rules of the Competition

7.2. Participation

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

7.3. Preliminary Rounds

7.2.1. Pairings

The pairing of Teams for Preliminary Rounds shall be done, in the first instance, by a random draw. Pairings and the hardcopies of opponents' Memorials will be distributed to Teams at least two (2) days prior to the first day of the Georgian National Rounds.

7.4. Final Round

The two (2) winning Teams from the Preliminary Rounds shall advance to the Final Round of the Georgian National Rounds. The Georgian National Champion Award shall be assessed only from the Final Rounds from the highest cumulative raw point received.

Article 8. Georgian National Championship Awards.

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

- National Champion Team (which shall proceed to the Jessup World Championship)
- Best Memorial, to the Team with the best combined average score for both memorials (which shall advance to compete in the Hardy C. Dillard Competition);
- Honourable Mentions, to the best three (3) individual with the best average score in Preliminary Rounds;
- Best Oralist, to the individual with the best average score in Final Round.

Article 10. Penalties

The Official Rules provide for the imposition of discretionary penalties by the National Administrator. Where discretionary penalties may be imposed, the National Administrator will decide whether to impose a penalty in accordance with the criteria laid down in Official Rule 11. Teams are also asked to be particularly mindful of violations for engaging in poor sportsmanship.

Article 11. Reporting of the Results

11.1. In line with Official Rule 10.14, after the conclusion of the Georgian National Rounds, each participating Team shall receive the following: a) a copy of individual Memorial judge's scoresheets; b) a copy of individual Oral Round judge's scoresheets from Preliminary Rounds; c) a copy of the Team Rankings of the Preliminary Rounds of the Georgian National Rounds, with the Win/Loss records, Total Preliminary Round Raw Scores, and Total Preliminary Round Points; d) a copy of the Oralist Rankings from the Preliminary Rounds of the Georgian National Rounds, including all Average Individual Oral Scores; and e) a copy of the Memorial Rankings from the Italian Qualifying Rounds, including all Total Memorial Scores.

11.2. Teams will not receive summary of scores or individual scoresheets of other Teams.

Article 12. Anonymity Rule

12.1. 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.

12.2. The teams should be aware that very successful nationwide public relations at any time during the Georgian National Rounds and careless programming of their team's websites that could lead to an accidental disclosure of identity and university of origin to judges may be punished by penalty points or disqualification. If in doubt consult with the National Administrator beforehand.

Article 13. Spectators

All Preliminary Rounds will be open only to the Team members, Team Advisors or other spectators affiliated with the Team in which the Team is competing. Teams shall submit list of attendees two (2) calendar weeks in advance to Georgian National Rounds at jessupge@gmail.com. Teams are responsible for ensuring that their spectators do not engage in any disruptive behavior.

Article 14. Videotaping

14.1. No videotaping of the Rounds shall be allowed, except with the explicit consent of National Administrator and Teams.

14.2. The recordings shall be distributed to the teams after the completion of the international rounds in Washington, D.C.