Rules Supplement for the South African National Rounds of the 2026 Jessup Competition

Pursuant to Official Rule 1.7 of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, the following Rules Supplement is adopted for the South African National Rounds of the 2026 Jessup Competition. All participants and administrators are required to adhere to the following provisions, which have been approved by the ILSA Executive Director.

1. GENERAL

The ILSA Executive Director has appointed Roxanna Nazari as Administrator. The Administrator may be contacted via electronic mail at nazari@ilsa.org.

This Rules Supplement applies to all teams, judges, and other persons participating in the South African National Rounds and is intended to address specific needs and circumstances of the Rounds. All Official Rules remain in effect unless explicitly modified by this Rules Supplement.

2. LOCATION AND DATES

The 2026 South African National Rounds will take place at University of Cape Town 28 February - 1 March 2026.

3. TEAMS ADVANCING TO THE INTERNATIONAL ROUNDS

No later than 1 December, the ILSA Executive Office will inform the Administrator how many Teams will advance to the International Rounds from South Africa. The Administrator will promptly inform the Teams of this decision.

4. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULE 6.12 – COACHES AND SPECTATORS

In addition to registered Team members, Teams may invite up to two coaches and other spectators to observe the Team's Moots and other events during the Rounds.

Each Team shall notify the Administrator via email, no later than 12 January of the names of any coaches or other spectators who wish to attend one or more of the Team's Moots or other events during the Rounds.

5. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULE 6 – BAILIFFS

If there are insufficient bailiffs, the Administrator may ask a member or coach of a Team involved in the affected round to serve as Bailiff. The team-affiliated bailiff will not remain in the room during post-Moot deliberations.

6. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULE 8.5

If at least four teams participate in the National Rounds, the Administrator shall hold a final round. If less than four teams participate, the Administrator may choose to hold round robin rounds and the team that ranks first will be declared National Champion.

7. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULES 11.10 AND 11.11 – COMPLAINTS

If a Team believes a violation of the Rules has occurred during a Moot, the Team must inform the Administrator either in writing or at nazari@ilsa.org no later than 15 minutes after the conclusion of the Moot. Once the Administrator has received notice of the complaint, the Administrator may request the complaining Team to provide more details or evidence in a subsequent oral or written communication.

8. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULE 12 – AWARDS

At the conclusion of the Rounds, the Administrator will present the following awards:

National Champion

Top Oralist in the Preliminary Rounds

Top Combined Memorials

Roxanna Nazari Michael Peil

National Administrator Executive Director, ILSA