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Rules for Judgment Writing Competition

Introduction

The 1st Judgment Writing Competition 2017 is a venture of the FOL-IFHE Hyderabad is to explore the area of legal education to increase and promote qualitative legal research by looking at practical aspects of implementation of laws studied by law students. The Judgment Writing Competition looks at a broad aspect of how laws learnt about in classrooms are actually put to effect and implemented in courtrooms. This competition seeks to capture the spirit of judges and decision-making from young law students aspiring to join the esteemed Judicial Services and to train the participants in developing a balanced and mature approach to dispute resolution and the vital role that judgments play in a society.

Number of participants: One per team.

Prizes:

First prize- Rs. 10,000/-

Second prize- Rs, 5000/-

Rules and Regulations

Article 1

1. The Judgment Writing Competition will be held during the semi-final rounds of the 33rd BCI Moot Court Competition being conducted by ILS-IFHE on 1st and 2nd April 2017.
2. The participants will be divided in two court rooms.
3. Pursuant to the semi-final rounds, each participant of the judgment writing competition will be provided with a computer for the judgment writing competition.
4. The top scorer will get the award for 'Best Judgment'.

Article 2 – Language

1. The said competition shall be in English only.

Article 3 – Rounds

1. Orientation & Draw of lots will be held on 31st March 2017
2. The 1st round of the judgement writing competition will be held during the quarter final round of the 33rd BCI Moot Court Competition and will be held on 1st April 2017.
3. The 2nd and final round of the judgement writing competition will be held during the semi-final round of the 33rd BCI Moot Court Competition and will be held on 1st April 2017.

Article 4 – Judging Criteria:

A judgement is the result of application of law to the facts of a given case. It is an expression of the ultimate opinion of the Judge which he renders after due consideration of evidence and arguments advanced before him. It is intended to put a final end to the controversy involved in the matter so that the dispute brought before the Court by the parties is set at rest. Parameters for judging are:

1. Beginning of the judgement
2. Opening of the judgement
3. Issues and points for determination
4. Reference to the evidence; both oral and documentary:
5. The decision on issues framed or points formulated:
6. Decretal / operative part
7. Signature

Article 5 – Certificates

Certificates will be awarded only to the participants during the valedictory ceremony and under no circumstances will they be provided to any of the participants absent during the ceremony.

Article 6 – Miscellaneous

1. Case laws that the parties relied on at the time of final arguments before the moot shall be submitted to the participants before the competition.
2. The participating judges will be recording the evidence for both the prosecution and defence as taken by moot court participants if required.
3. All participating teams must be conversant with the Constitution of India, Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Criminal Procedure Code, 1973 and Evidence Act, 1872.