

3rd Online Memorial Writing and Drafting Competition by The Law Communicants

MEMORIAL DRAFTING COMPETITION, 2022

VIRTUAL EVENT



ORGANISED BY:

THE LAW COMMUNICANTS

Last Date of Registration 25th July, 2022

ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION:

The Law Communicants is a legal tech platform for law students and aspiring lawyers. We aim to create a bridge between Students, Advocates and Academic scholars. The Law Communicants also publishes articles, blogs and expert opinions of ace legal professionals. The Law Communicants is a 360° platform of complete legal information – about academics, profession and opportunities. The team also works on various law institutes and scholars across the country to collate and share knowledge.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION:

Law students are very enthusiastic about participating in the moot court competition in order to improve their skills and knowledge. In a moot court competition, however, much of the credit is offered to the speakers alone and somewhere, the importance of a high-quality memorial is overshadowed.

The drafting of memorials is one of the most important aspects of any moot court competition, and without them, no moot court competition will be as stimulating as it should be.

Thus, to highlight the importance of Moot Memorials, The Law Communicants feels privileged to announce its 1st National Memorial Drafting Competition for the budding law students all over India.

MODE OF THE COMPETITION: Online

LANGUAGE: English.

ELIGIBILITY:

- The students currently enrolled in either five years or three years LL.B. courses or LL.M. programs from any recognized University/ Law College/ College/ Institution are eligible for participation in the competition.
- There is no restriction on the number of entries from any college or university.

TEAM COMPOSITION:

- Each team shall consist of one individual or two individuals or three individuals that qualify the eligibility criteria.
- Multiple teams are allowed from different University/ Law School/ College/ Departments.

REGISTRATION:

- There shall be a nominal registration fee of
- **Rs. 300/-** for Single participant,
- **Rs. 400/-** for the team of two individuals and
- **Rs. 450/-** for the team of three individuals.
- Registration Link is given below- <https://forms.gle/it26dEXs8ByUrF2JA>
- The registration fee shall be non-refundable and non-transferable in any circumstance.
- The last date for registration is 11:59 p.m. IST, **25th July 2022**.
- Once a team registers by completing the formalities given, a Code (hereinafter “Team Code”) shall be assigned to the team.

Note: No approval from the respective institute of the participants is required for participation.

PAYMENT METHOD:

- **Paytm**(9968957864)
- **Google Pay**(9968957864)keyur.tripathi05@okhdfcbank
- **PhonePay**(keyur.tripathi05@okhdfcbank)

After the payment all participants are required to upload screenshots of the same on Google form given below while registration.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Last date of Registration: **11:59 PM IST, 25th July, 2022**
- Last date to seek clarification: **25th July, 2022**
- Last date for memorial Submission: **11:59 PM IST, 29th July, 2022**
- Date for Announcing Result: **05:00 PM IST 1st August, 2022**

MEMORIAL GUIDELINES:

Submission of Memorials

1. Every participant or team registered for the competition would be required to prepare one side memorial: Either memorial on behalf of the Petitioner/ Appellant or Memorial on behalf of the Respondent.
2. All memorials must be submitted through Google Form on or before 11:59 P.M. on 25th July, 2022. The link of the google form for submission, will be forwarded to the participants with the acknowledgement of registration and allotted team code.
3. Any submission made after the deadline specified shall attract a penalty of deduction of 0.50 marks per hour from the aggregate marks.
4. No submission made after 24 hours of the deadline shall be accepted at any cost.

FORMATTING GUIDELINES:

1. All the Memorials must be submitted in a PDF Format (.pdf).
2. The Memorial shall be typed on an A4 size page in Font type: Times New Roman, Font size: 12, 1.5-line spacing & 1-inch margin on each side.
3. The Footnotes shall be in Times New Roman, size 10, single line spacing, justified.
4. Each source or authority must be supported by bibliographical information using The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (20th ed.).

The Memorials must include all the following specifications:

- A. Cover Page
 - B. Table of Contents
 - C. List of Abbreviations
 - D. Index of Authorities
 - E. Statement of Jurisdiction
 - F. Statement of Facts
 - G. Issues Raised
 - H. Summary of Arguments
 - I. Arguments Advanced
 - J. Prayer
 - K. Annexures, if any (not mandatory)
5. The Memorial shall not be of more than forty (40) pages, and the Arguments advance shall not exceed more than twenty-five (25) pages.
 6. The Cover Page of the Memorial must follow the following colour scheme, Blue For the Petitioner Cover Page and Red for the Respondent Cover Page.

7. The Team Code allotted to a team must be mentioned on the Cover Page of the Memorial's upper right corner.
8. The Cover Page must consist of the followings:
 - a) Team Code
 - b) Name of the Court/Forum
 - c) Jurisdiction
 - d) Cause Title
 - e) Party on whose behalf the Memorial is filed
9. The participants are required to mention only those abbreviations which are used in the Memorial. If an abbreviation is found in the 'List of Abbreviations' but not used in the Memorial, it will attract a negative mark of 1 at a time. The 'Index of Authorities' must reflect the page(s) of Memorial where any authority is cited.
10. The submission of the Memorials will be only accepted through email to submission@thelawcommunicants.com and it will be in PDF format. The Subject line of the mail will be Memorial Submission (Team Code).
11. Mentioning of identification of any type in the Memorial shall lead to immediate disqualification.

PENALTIES:

- The non-adherence of sub-rule I shall attract the penalty of 5 marks.
- The non-adherence of sub-rule ii, iii, and iv shall attract the penalty of 1 mark each discrepancy.

EVALUATION OF MEMORIAL:

The contents of memorials shall be evaluated out of 100 marks. The criteria of evaluation are:

PARAMETERS	MARKS
<i>Knowledge of law & facts</i>	20
<i>Interpretation of Law & Application of Law</i>	20
<i>Extent and use of research</i>	20
<i>Clarity & Organization</i>	20
<i>Style, Grammar, & Citation of Sources</i>	20
<i>Total</i>	100

RULES-

1. The decision of the Judges shall be final regarding the outcome of the results.
2. No additional documentation will be allowed.
3. The organizers reserve the right to take any action against unethical, wrongful or unprofessional conduct.
4. If there is any situation, not covered by the rules, the decision of the organizers shall be final and binding.
5. The organizers reserve the right to amend the rules. However, due notice shall be provided to all participating teams.
6. Selection will be on first come first basis as there will be limited seats.
7. The participants are always required to comply with the rules formulated by the organizing Committee. In case of any non-compliance with the rules of the competition, penalty may be imposed by deduction of marks.
8. All certificates shall be in digital form & digitally signed and will be sent on the e-mail id provided in the google form.
9. Participants are advised to check their mailboxes regularly for updates.
10. In the case of a tie, the higher rank would be determined on the basis of least time taken by the participant in submission of memorial.

AWARDS: PRIZES WORTH RS. 20,000/-

BEST TEAM (1st Position) - Prize worth Rs. 10000/- + Certificate of Excellence + 50% Discount in Publication in Journal having ISSN No.

Runner up Team (2nd Position) - Prize worth Rs. 5000/- + Certificate of Excellence + 50% Discount in Publication in Journal having ISSN No.

3rd Position - 5th Position- Certificate of Merit + Complementary Publication in The Law Communicants Blog.

All the participants who will register for this event, will receive “CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION”

For More Information, Click on the link given below-

<https://thelawcommunicants.com/>

Social Media:

Telegram: <https://t.me/thelawcommunicants>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/thelawcommunicants/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdclCrmfJ2hkSW6iUkLWNRg>

Contact us for any query:

E-mail: admin@thelawcommunicants.com

WhatsApp number: 9971912048 (WHATSAPP ONLY)

Note: *if in case of any query, participant can drop a message on WhatsApp on the number given above and they will receive a call from concerned authority in 24 hours to resolve their query.*

PREPOSITION

Ruchika has filed an application for restitution of conjugal rights under Hindu Marriage Act, 1955.

Ruchika (Christian by birth, converted Hindu) married Dhruv in Rameshwara temple near Ratnagiri hills on 15th March, 2004 by exchange of garlands. She further joined her husband where her mother-in-law started ill-treating her for reason that their marriage was not an arranged marriage and the marriage performed was not a marriage at all. Subsequently, Ruchika and her husband went to Sanskar Sangha (a Trust which manages the Rameshwara temple at the Ratnagiri hills) which is also established on the Ratnagiri hill where there is total prohibition on bringing any kind of food item and alcoholic drinks on Ratnagiri hills from outside. There they performed all marriage ceremonies like Saptapadi, Mangala Sutra danam etc. on 4th October, 2004 in the Rameshwara Sanskar Sangha hall under the supervision of the purohit (authorized person of the Trust) and thus the marriage was solemnized. The husband who was under the thumb of his mother deserted her in March 2005 and she has been living separately ever since.

Dhruv states that he came into contact with Ruchika when she was introduced to him in a family function. He did not marry by exchange of garlands as alleged by her on 15th March, 2004 instead he married his maternal uncle's daughter on 6th June 2004. He further alleges that taking advantage of his state of drunkenness Ruchika took him to Ratnagiri and he did not know as to what was going on 4th October 2004. He also states that Ruchika is Christian and he had produced an affidavit (in which her husband's name is also mentioned) signed by her and attested by a notary to the effect that she is Christian and the affidavit was needed for securing employment. Dhruv also got hold of a birth certificate wherein it is stated that Ruchika gave birth to a male child 3 years prior 15th March, 2004 and the husband's name is mentioned as Richard Gomes. Dhruv therefore contends that his marriage if at all there is one with Ruchika is not a valid marriage and she is not entitled for Restitution of Conjugal rights. Decide the case.

Teams are required to draft a Memorial of this case.

Teams are at liberty to form issues as per their own choice.