**2nd ILS Intra-College Bail and Remand Application & Argumentation Competition, 2023**

***ABOUT THE COMPETITION***

Legal events have been an integral part of the Criminal Law Cell, and over the years the Cell hosts events of the highest quality, with an aim to burgeon students’ interest in the field of Criminal Law. In furtherance of this aim, ILS Criminal Law Cell is pleased to announce the *Second Edition* of the **ILS Intra-College Bail and Remand Application & Argumentation Competition, 2023.**

The objective of this competition is to give students a practical insight to the court proceedings pertaining to bail. Bail plays a crucial role in our criminal justice system, which acts as a balance between protection of a person’s fundamental right to personal liberty and protection of public interest. Therefore, it is pertinent that students are acquainted with the mode and manner of obtaining bail, and related drafting and oral submissions. The Competition will help the participants to hone their skills in the subject, which will be an indispensable tool to their litigation practice at the grass-root level.

The Competition will require the participants to draft an application for bail, anticipatory bail or remand, based on a First Information Report (FIR). Further, the participants are required to make oral arguments for the same.

We cordially invite students of **VB.A. LL.B.** and **IIILL.B**. to participate in this competition!

*GUIDELINES*

*Eligibility and Team Composition*

* The ILS Intra-College Bail and Remand Application & Argumentation Competition, 2023 (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Competition’) shall be open for participation to the students of **V B.A. LL.B.** and **III LL.B.**
* Participation shall be in teams of *two counsels*.
* Inter-batch registrations are permitted, *i.e.* two members of a team may belong to different batches.

*Rules for Registration*

* **The registrations for the Competition shall be open from 25th March, 2023 till 31st March, 2023, 11:59 p.m.**
* Registrations shall be taken in *online* mode only.
* The link for online registration shall be activated and circulated on the ILS Law College website and notice board, as well as the official Facebook page of ILS Criminal Law Cell and WhatsApp groups.
* Participants shall register with their **ILS email IDs only**.
* The registration shall be carried out in pairs. Only one student out of the pair shall fill the form on behalf of both participants. If a participant’s name appears in more than one form, then the registrations of both participants shall be discarded.
* It is mandatory for every student to upload a copy of his/her identity card in PDF while submitting their Google Form. Registrations without receipt of ID cards shall stand cancelled.
* No requests for registration shall be entertained after the said deadline.

*Cancellation of Registration*

* Any team that wishes to withdraw from the Competition and cancel their registration shall do so latest by **3rd April, 2023, 4 p.m.**
* Such teams must send an email to *criminallawcell@ilslaw.in**,* enumerating their Names, Class and Division, and must specify the reason for withdrawal.
* No team shall be permitted to withdraw after lapse of the mentioned deadline.

*Structure of the Competition*

* A total of **16 teams** shall be eligible for participation.
* The final list of participating teams shall be prepared on the basis of first-come-first-serve, and be published on **4th April, 2023.** The list shall be made available on the official Facebook page of ILS Criminal Law Cell and circulated in WhatsApp groups.
1. **PRELIMINARY ROUND**
* The Competition shall be conducted in offline mode, which shall comprise of *one oral round of arguments* and *one written submission.*
* A total of 8 FIRs shall be released for the Competition.
* For every FIR, two teams shall be paired up with each other. Each team will then be allotted a side (‘**Prosecution’** or ‘**Defence’**) by a draw of lots.
* The team shall prepare their oral arguments and written submission based on the FIR and the side that has been allotted to them.
* Participants shall be allotted their Courtrooms upon release of the final list of participants.
* The draw of lots for assigning the FIRs and the subsequent sides shall take place on **6th April, 2023.** Details of the same shall be updated on a later date.
1. **Oral Submission**
* The oral rounds of the Competition shall be conducted on **8th April, 2023, Saturday.**
* The time limit for oral submissions for each team is **15 minutes,** excluding any question from the Bench. Failure to adhere to time limit would entail penalty in the form of deduction of marks.
* Teams can reserve time for rebuttal from the allotted time limit *i.e.* 15 minutes.
* The marking scheme for oral rounds shall be communicated to the participants on a later date.
1. **Written Submission**
* The written submission from each team shall be on the basis of the side allotted to it. The Defence side shall prepare a *Bail Application*, and the Prosecution side shall prepare a *reply to the Bail Application* or a *Remand Application*, based on the requirements of the FIR.
* Each team shall prepare **two** hard copies of their written submissions. Each copy shall be submitted to the Bench and the Courtroom volunteer before the commencement of the arguments.
* No team shall be permitted to advance arguments without presenting their written submission.
1. **FINAL ROUND**
* Two teams shall qualify for the Final Round of the Competition – one team from each courtroom.
* The finalist teams shall be allotted a fresh set of FIRs and subsequently the side for arguing in the Finals.
* Written submissions for the final round shall be submitted 30 minutes before the oral submissions.
* Each team shall prepare two hard copies of the written submissions – each of which shall be given to the Bench and the Courtroom volunteer. No team shall be permitted to make oral arguments without presenting their written submissions.
* The Final Round shall be conducted on **12th April, 2023.** Time and venue for the same shall be updated later.

*Dress Code and Language*

1. ***Language***

Oral submissions may be advanced in **Marathi, Hindi or English.** Written submissions shall be made in **English** only.

1. ***Dress code***

Men: Black & White formals, with or without blazers

Women: Black & White formals, Indian or Traditional

*Declaration of Results*

* Results shall be declared upon the conclusion of the Competition.
* In the event of a tie, the team having a higher score in the written submission shall be entitled to a higher rank.

*Miscellaneous Provisions*

* Participants are encouraged to submit printed copies of case laws in support of their arguments. These copies may be taken SCC Online or Manupatra. Copies from Indian Kanoon shall be disallowed.
* For an unreported judgment, prints from the official website of the High Courts or Supreme Court shall be accepted. Participants may submit these copies to the Bench through the courtroom volunteer.
* Failure to show up on the day of the Competition shall be dealt with strictly according to the institute policy.
* Students shall not miss lectures for the purpose of this Competition. Participants shall not be allotted any concessions for the purpose of attendance.
* All participants are expected to maintain decorum in the Court during the Competition and are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the legal profession.
* Organisers reserve the right to take appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional or immoral conduct.
* Organisers’ decision with regards to the interpretation of rules or any other matter related to the Competition will be final & binding.
* Organisers reserve the right to vary, alter, modify, or repeal any of the above rules without any prior notification, if so required and as they may deem appropriate.

***SCHEDULE OF THE COMPETITION***

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| ***SR. NO.*** | ***EVENT*** | ***DATE*** |
| 1. | Commencement of Registrations | 25th March, 2023 – Saturday |
| 2. | Last date for Registrations | 31st March, 2023 – Friday |
| 3. | Cancellation of Registrations | 3rd April, 2023 – Monday |
| 4. | Declaration of Final List of Participants | 4th April, 2023 – Tuesday |
| 5. | Orientation Session | 5th April, 2023 – Wednesday |
| 6. | Circulation of FIRs | 6th April, 2023 – Thursday |
| 7. | Preliminary Rounds | 8th April, 2023 – Saturday |
| 8. | Final Rounds | 12th April, 2023 – Wednesday |

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