

**THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL QUALIFYING ROUNDS
OF THE
2007 PHILIP C. JESSUP INTERNATIONAL LAW
MOOT COURT COMPETITION**

**NATIONAL SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULE 8.0
QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT PAIRING PROCEDURES**

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8.1 Pairings Procedures

The pairing of Teams for the Preliminary Rounds shall be done by a random draw during the Welcome Dinner on 21 February 2007 (Wednesday). The Administrator may modify the pairings to account for absent Teams or other contingencies. If Teams must be newly paired, they must be provided their new opponents' Memorials as soon as reasonably possible, but in no event less than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the newly paired round.

8.2 Preliminary Rounds

Each Team shall participate in the Preliminary Rounds on 22 February 2007 (Thursday) consisting of two (2) Oral Rounds, once as Applicant and once as Respondent, following this format:

Round 1 - 09:00-11:00 a.m. : Team A as Applicant vs. Team B as Respondent

Round 2 - 01:00-03:00 p.m. : Team B as Applicant vs. Team C as Respondent

Round 3 - 04:00-06:00 p.m. : Team C as Applicant vs. Team A as Respondent

8.3 Championship Round

The top two teams from the Preliminary Rounds shall compete against one another in a single Championship Round which shall be held on 23 February 2007 (Friday) at 4:00-6:00 p.m. The winner of the Championship Round shall be the National Representative to the 2007 Shearman & Sterling International Rounds of the Jessup Competition.

8.4 Pleading Option

After the Announcement of the Two Finalists Teams on the evening of 22 February 2007 (Thursday), each Finalist Team will be given its completed master Team scoresheet from the Preliminary Rounds, but not individual judges' scoresheets or notes.

Immediately after the announcement of the two Finalist Teams, the pleading option for the Championship Round shall be determined by a coin toss. The higher-ranking Team from the Preliminary Rounds calls the toss. The Team that wins the toss has twenty (20) minutes to select which side it wishes to plead. If that Team fails to select, then the opposing Team has ten (10) minutes to select a side. If this opposing Team then fails to exercise its pleading option within a ten (10) minute period, it also shall forfeit its pleading option. Should both Teams fail to select, then the higher-ranked Team will argue Applicant and the lower-ranked Team will argue Respondent.

Once the sides have been selected, the Administrator will immediately notify both Teams. The Administrator will give to both Teams the appropriate Memorial of their opponent.


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