74th Annual National Moot Court Competition Region VI Local Rules

Per Rule 7.8 of the Seventy-Fourth Annual National Moot Court Competition Rules, Comments, and Forms 2023-2024 (the "Official Rules"), a regional sponsor, here Cleveland State University College of Law (the "Regional Sponsor"), is permitted to propose and enact, pending the Committee's final approval, the following local rules (the "Local Rules") which will control the Region VI regional round of the Seventy-Fourth Annual National Moot Court Competition (the "Regional Round"), which is to be hosted November 10, 2023 and November 11, 2023 at the Cleveland State University College of Law. These Local Rules will operate with the same force as the Original Rules and, when in conflict with the Original Rules, the Local Rules shall be controlling during the Regional Round.

The Local Rules and labeled in accordance with the Original Rule which they modify. If there is no corresponding Local Rule for an Original Rule, the Original Rule is to be followed as it is written in the Original Rules. The following Local Rules shall be given force and take effect:

L.R. 2.4 Team Numbers. The Regional Sponsor will assign each team registered to compete in the Regional Round a unique number that will be used to identify teams throughout the Regional Round.

L.R. 3.2 Format.

- **L.R. 3.2.6** All briefs are to be submitted electronically and no hard (paper) copies will be required during the Regional Round.
- **L.R. 3.4 Identification.** No brief may be signed with the name or school of any of the competitors/teams. Team numbers must appear in the upper right corner of every brief.
- **L.R. 3.5** Certification. Competitors must certify that they prepared their brief in accordance with the Original Rules and Local Rules and that it represents the work product solely of that team's members who will be competing in the Regional Round.

The following form of certification must be served with the brief as a separate file attached to the <u>same</u> submission email that contains the team's brief. Briefs that are submitted without this certification may be subject to penalties.

We certify that [name of law school]'s brief is solely our work product and that we did not receive any assistance in writing it. We performed a word count which revealed a total of [number] words.

[signature][signature][signature][student's name][student's name][student's name]

L.R. 4.1 General. For the Regional Round, teams must serve their brief to the Regional Sponsor, the National Committee, and each team in their region by 11:59PM Eastern Time on October 23, 2023 (the "Submission Deadline"). To submit to the Regional Sponsor, teams must email their submission to b.jacob@cmlaw.csuohio.edu by the Submission Deadline. To submit to each team in their region, a list of email addresses will be provided at the end of these Local Rules and will be posted on the Cleveland State University College of Law Competition Website. Service is complete upon transmission. The Regional Sponsor will not entertain phone inquiries on October 23, 2023 as to whether a team's brief has been received. The Regional Sponsor will contact any team for which it has not received a brief a brief on October 24, 2023. Late submissions may be subject to penalties.

This Local Rule should not be understood to modify any of the Original Rules pertaining to submissions for the purposes of the National Round. This Local Rule merely modifies the submission process for the Regional Round.

- **O.R. 4.3 Materials for Service.** For Regional Rounds, electronic service consists of one text-searchable PDF copy of the brief. This copy of the brief should contain a cover page bearing only the team's number in the upper right corner—no school or competitor names should appear anywhere in the document. The file name should follow the format: "Region [#] Brief—Team [#]."
- **O.R. 4.3.1 Contents of Service Email.** Service should be accomplished by a single email addressed to all necessary recipients. All recipients of the service email must be visible, not blind copies. The service email should bear the subject line: "Brief for Team [#], [School Name]." The email body must state only contain school name, competitor names, and team representative's contact information. No other message should be included in the service email.
- **L.R. 5.1 General.** The Regional Sponsor will provide courtroom clerks for oral argument. Clerks will track both team's time and visibly display timecards showing remaining time to judges and competitors. The Regional Sponsor reserves the right to request the competing teams to provide courtroom clerks should the need arise.

The courtroom clerk will display timecards indicating when there are five (5) minutes remaining, three (3) minutes remaining, and one (1) minute remaining of the competitor's self-allotted time.

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Contact Information for Brief Submissions

Briefs must be submitted in accordance with the Local Rules and the Official Rules to the following emails:

National Committee

mootcourt@nycbar.org

Regional Sponsor

b.jacob@cmlaw.csuohio.edu

Regional Contacts

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