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- SRMS College of Pharmacy, Bareilly (Estd. 2000)
- SRMS Institute of Medical Sciences, Bareilly (Estd. 2005)
- SRMS College of Engg., Tech. and Research, Bareilly (Estd. 2008)
- SRMS Institute of Paramedical Sciences, Bareilly (Estd. 2011)
- SRMS International Business School, Lucknow (Estd. 2011)
- SRMS College of Engineering & Technology, Unnao (Estd. 2011)
- SRMS College of Nursing, Bareilly (Estd. 2017)
- SRMS College of Law, Bareilly (Estd. 2018)
- SRMS College of Nursing and Paramedical Sciences, Unnao (Estd. 2018)

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- SRMS Functional Imaging & Medical Centre, Lucknow (Estd. 2015)
- SRMS Multi Specialty Hospital & Trauma Centre, Unnao (Estd. 2018)
- SRMS Goodlife Hospital, Bareilly (Estd. 2018)
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PERFORMING & FINE ARTS INSTITUTIONS

- SRMS Riddhima-A Centre of Performing & Fine Arts, Bareilly (Estd. 2021)

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SHRI RAM MURTI SMARAK COLLEGE OF LAW

(Affiliated to M.J.P. Rohilkhand University, Bareilly, Approved by Bar Council of India, New Delhi)
(Offering 3 Years LL.B & 5 Years Integrated B.A. LL.B Programme)



1st NATIONAL CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION 2022

27th August, 2022



ABOUT THE COLLEGE

The SRMS–College of Law, a Professional College under the flagship of Shri Ram Murti Smarak Trust situated at Bareilly Nainital Highway, Bareilly offers B.A. LL.B (Five years Integrated Course) & LL.B (Three years) program affiliated to the renowned Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Rohilkhand University, Bareilly and approved by the Bar Council of India, New Delhi. The Course Curriculums are both contemporary and global in perspective, enhancing the arena and the employability potentials of the graduating students. With more focus on hands-on-training, wherein Court Visits, Drafting, Legal Research, Lok Adalats, Mediation Centers, Legal Aid & Advise Centers, Seminars, Documentation, Moot Court Practice etc. are an integral part of the learning process. The college also has a Separate Boys & Girls Hostel Facility, Sport Ground, Gym and Canteen etc., for the over all development of the students.

PURPOSE OF THE COMPETITION

The purpose of this activity is to give exposure to students pursuing the Integrated B.A. LL.B & LL.B course to hone their advocacy skills and to provide a real litigation experience in doing cutting edge research, presenting persuasive and cohesive argument and contributing to the development of jurisprudence in concerned areas of law.

Client counselling is one of the most important parts of legal profession. It involves both the interviewing and advising abilities of an advocate. No doubt Advocates have both the good listening and questioning abilities as a part of advocacy skills. However, it is not easy for a new advocate who has just completed law and enrolled as an advocate. Being in academia it is our pious duty to teach them about this important aspect of legal profession. Therefore, an initiative has been taken by SRMS COLLEGE OF LAW to organise a client counselling competition. So that students must develop a greater ability to understand legal aspects and develop a spirit of enquiry into legal matters. This Competition as expected encourages students of law to inculcate interviewing, planning and analytical skills. The most vital part of this competition is to make the students aware about "How to build and maintain good relationship between advocates & clients?"

DATE AND VENUE

Client Counselling Competition 2022 shall be held on 27th August, 2022 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at SRMS College of Law, Bareilly.

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open for all the students of 3 year LL.B and 5 year B.A. LL.B/BB.A. LL.B/B.COM LL.B. course of all semesters conducted by any recognized College / Institution/ University.

GENERAL RULES

Registration:

This Competition involves the following registration process:

Note:

- By registering for and/or entering this Competition, all participants agree to be bound by the rules contained herein.
- By entering this Competition, all participants consent to being photographed or filmed and to such images photographed and/or videos filmed being published by SRMS, College of Law, Bareilly, U.P.
- Participating teams must register themselves for the Competition by submitting online a pro-forma of registration, before the stipulated deadline for such submission.

Link for Registration: <https://forms.gle/sDhnmsmrncMyCYqR8>

Note: Registration fees of ₹ 500/- is to be deposited on spot dated: 27/08/2022

Official Language: The official language of the Competition shall be English. All written and/or oral submission made to and/or before the judges shall be in English.

Rules of the Competition:

Rule 1. Entry into the Competition:

- Composition of the Teams:** Each team shall consist of the two students (only).
- Eligibility:** Law students from recognised Universities. Only two team per institute can participate. In case more than two entries are received from the same institute, the first two teams registering will be allowed to participate.
- Team Codes:** After successful registration, each participating team will receive a unique team code from the organiser.
- NOC:** It is mandatory for each participant comprising a team to get the No Objection Certificate signed by the Dean/ Head of the institute. Any entry without the NOC shall be rejected immediately.

Rule 2: The Consultation Situation, Theme of the Competition, Applicable Laws.

- Distribution of the Consultation Problem:** The participating teams will not receive the consultation problem before the competition. The problem shall be made available to the Client who shall then further present the information before the participating team in her/his own words. Based on the information so presented, the team members will decide their counselling strategy and client dealing. However, approximately 7 days before the competition, the organisers will send to each team a brief description relating to the consultation problem. This will contain information similar to that which a law office secretary might record when informing lawyers of a forthcoming appointment.
- The Theme of the Competition:** The consultation problems will be related to family law.

Rule 3: Rounds

The competition shall consist of four rounds consisting of Preliminary, quarter final, Semi Final and Final. To qualify for the final round a participating team must qualify semi-final rounds.

Rule 4. The Consultation and Post Consultation Session

- Time limit for the Session: Each team shall have a maximum of 25 minutes to complete the session. This includes 20 minutes for the consultation and 5 minutes for the post consultation session. Any team exceeding the prescribed time limit will be subject to negative marking.
- The consultation Session: Each team must conduct a consultation with the client during which the students are expected to elicit the relevant information, outline the problem, and propose options for resolving the problem. The discussion of the fees is an integral part of any first consultation between a lawyer and a client. Students should be judged as how they approach this problem, but not on the monetary amount used. The participants may discuss fees at any appropriate point in the consultation. Fees may be waived or suitably reduced only in cases of financial hardships, either for persons of low income or for persons of ordinary income faced with very large fees.
- The Post Consultation Session:** Each team must also conduct a meaningful post-consultation discussion between the attorneys after the client has left the rooms. The post consultation session the participating teams are expected to summarise the interview, indicate the next steps to be undertaken, and state the legal issues that should be researched. The teams may discuss any other relevant point as well.

Rounds: This competition shall consist of the following the rounds-

- The Competition shall comprise of two preliminary rounds following which, two teams from each group shall qualify for the quarter-final rounds on the basis of their absolute score in the preliminary rounds.
- Four teams with the highest absolute score in the quarter-final rounds shall qualify to the semi-final rounds.
- Two teams with the highest absolute score shall qualify from the semi-final rounds to the final round.
- The winner of the final round, decided based on the highest absolute score in the final round, shall be declared winner of the Competition.

Provided that any dispute arising out such rounds shall be resolved by the COL, SRMS Bareilly. The decision of the COL, SRMS shall be final in such regard.

Dress Code:

The students are required to be dressed in black and white formal attire typical of a lawyer.

Clients: The individuals plying clients will be selected and briefed by the organisers.

- Marking Criteria:** Each team will receive a score out of 100. Each judge is required to individually mark the teams. The marking criterion is given below:

S.No.	MARKING CRITERIA	MARKS ALLOTTED
1.	Communication Skills	25
2.	Client Dealing	15
3.	Application of law	25
4.	Proposed Solution	20
5.	Post- Interview Reflections	15
6.	Total	100

IMPORTANT DATES

S.No.	EVENTS	DATES
1.	Last Date of Registration	21/08/2022
2.	Release of Problem	22/08/2022
3.	Publication of list of participating teams with team codes	25/08/2022
4.	Date of Competition & Valedictory Session	27/08/2022

PRIZES:

- a. Winning Team b. Runner Up c. Best Counsellor d. Best Client**

All the participants will receive a certificate of participation

Residuary:

The COL, SRMs may take such other measures as may be required for the purposes of giving effect to any or all provisions of these rules and for the fair conduct of the Competition.

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