

## **Rules Supplement for Latin American Friendly Rounds of the 2025 Jessup Competition**

Pursuant to Official Rule 1.7 of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, the following Rules Supplement is adopted for the Latin American Friendly Rounds of 2025 Jessup Competition. All participants and administrators are required to adhere to the following provisions, which have been approved by the ILSA Executive Director.

### **1. GENERALLY**

1.1 The ILSA Executive Director has appointed Claudia Caceres as Administrator. The Administrator may be contacted via electronic mail at [latamfriendly@gmail.com](mailto:latamfriendly@gmail.com).

1.2 This Rules Supplement applies to all teams, judges, and other persons participating in the Latin American Friendly Rounds and is intended to address specific needs and circumstances of the Rounds.

1.3 The supplement is an extension of the Official Rules and does not replace them. All Official Rules remain in effect unless explicitly modified by this Rules Supplement.

### **2. ELECTIONS UNDER THE OFFICIAL RULES**

2.1 Pursuant to Official Rule 1.5(b), the Friendly Rounds will be conducted Online under Official Rule 7.

2.2 Each Team must complete registration no later than December 5<sup>th</sup> 2024. No fee will be charged for participating in the Latin American Friendly Rounds.

### **3. TEAM ELIGIBILITY AND COMPOSITION**

3.1 A team is eligible to participate in the Friendly if it is the sole representative of its jurisdiction participating in the Jessup Competition and if it is not participating in any other Friendly Rounds.

3.2 Under Rule 1.4 ILSA Executive Director may approve the participation of jurisdictions with two or more teams.

3.3 Teams wishing to participate in the Friendly must register with the Friendly Administrator. The Friendly Administrator reserves the right to limit the number of participating teams in the Friendly due to space or budgetary constraints.

### **4. MEMORIALS**

4.1 Memorial scores shall not be used at the Friendly Rounds.

4.2 Memorials must be sent to the administrator via email to [latamfriendly@gmail.com](mailto:latamfriendly@gmail.com), on the date specified in the Official Schedule.

## **5. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULE 6.12 – COACHES AND SPECTATORS**

5.1 In addition to registered Team members, Teams may invite up to 3 coaches and other spectators to observe the Team's Moots and other events during the Rounds.

5.2 Each Team shall notify the Administrator via email, no later than 48 hours before the match, of the names of any coaches or other spectators who wish to attend one or more of the Team's Moots or other events during the Rounds.

## **6. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULES 11.10 AND 11.11 – COMPLAINTS**

6.1. If a Team believes a violation of the Rules has occurred during a Moot, the Team must inform the Administrator via email to [latamfriendly@gmail.com](mailto:latamfriendly@gmail.com) no later than 45 minutes after the conclusion of the Moot. Once the Administrator has received notice of the complaint, the Administrator may request the complaining Team to provide more details or evidence in a subsequent oral or written communication.

6.2. The administrator will communicate the resolution of the complaint to the teams involved via email.

## **7. ROUNDS**

If there are at least three (3) teams registered, then a final round will be held. The winner of the final round will be the Latin American Friendly Champion. If there are at least five (5) teams registered, a semifinal round will be held. In case there are only two (2) teams registered and the National Champion shall be the team with the most wins; if both Teams have 2 wins, then the Team with the most Round Points is the National Champion; if both Teams have the same Round Points, then the Team with the most Raw Points wins.

7.1. **Preliminary Rounds:** If there are at least two (2) teams registered, Preliminary Rounds will be held. Each team will get to plead as Applicant and as Respondent at least one time. The number of matches in the preliminary rounds will depend on how many teams are registered.

7.2. **Semifinal Round:** If there are at least five (5) teams registered, then a semifinal round will be held between the four highest ranking teams. The two teams that win the semifinal round will advance to the final round. The pairings shall be determined as follows: the fourth-ranked Team versus the first-ranked Team; and the second-ranked Team versus the third-ranked Team.

7.3. **Final Round:** If there are at least three (3) teams registered, then a final round will be held. If a Semifinal Round has been held, the winning Team in each of the two Semifinal matches shall advance to the Championship Round. If a Semifinal Round has not been held, then the top two

Teams from the Preliminary Rounds shall compete against one another in a single Championship Round. The winner of the final round will be the Latin American Friendly Champion.

**7.4. Pleading Option:** The Administration will set the order of pleading in the rounds. In the Final Round, the Administration shall choose a means of random decision in determining the Pleading Option for Final Round

**7.5. Results:** After the conclusion of the Latin American Friendly Rounds, each participating Team shall receive via email: (i) a copy of individual Oral Round judge's scoresheets from each match and (ii) Oralist Rankings.

## **8. SUPPLEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULE 12 – AWARDS**

8.1. At the International Rounds, the Administrator will present the following awards:

- (1) Latin American Friendly Champion, to the Team that wins the Latin American Friendly Rounds.
- (2) Best Preliminary Rounds Oralist, to the oralist with the highest ranking after the Preliminary Rounds.