

RAYAT GROUP OF INSTITUTIONS ROPAR CAMPUS

Railmajra, Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (Pb)

CLIENT COUNSELING 2019 30th - 31st MARCH

9TH RCL NATIONAL

RAYAT COLLEGE OF LAW, ROPAR PUNJAB



Rayat College of Law, established in 2004, is housed in an independent building at the Rayat Group of Institutions- Ropar Campus. The College has a renowned name in the field of law education. In addition to quality studies, RCL is widely acknowledged for its modern and state-of-the-art infrastructure that includes hostels, canteen and mess, medical care centre, library, WiFi Campus, and playgrounds. Over the years, the college has proved its mettle and today, it stands out among the law colleges in Nawanshahr Punjab as well.

Situated in village Railmajra near Ropar in Punjab, it is a part of the expansive 300 acre Rayat Technological Campus. The sprawling campus has a total of six colleges, and RCL is one of them. RCL provides its students with ample extracurricular activities. This well thought-out strategy of the college authorities yields multifarious benefits. It brings out the hidden talent of students, boosts interdisciplinary interaction and confidence, generates awareness and a sense of competition as also responsibility among students. Frequent National Moot Court Competitions are held in the RCL to give realistic exposure to law students.

Two programs are being offered by the college (I) B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) (ii) B.Com. LLB. (Hons.). RCL is focused on catering to the corporate world. The prime objective is to build an intellectual combination of law and commerce which would be beneficial to the economy of the nation.

RCL students have been bringing laurels to the college by bagging top positions in Panjab University Examinations, thanks to the supportive atmosphere at the college that acts as a catalyst to inspire students to strive for excellence. Needless to say, for law aspirants who look forward to studying in one of the top-notch law colleges near Ropar, RCL can be a dream destination.

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NATIONAL CLIENT COUNSELLING

Competition Dates: **30th & 31st March 2019**. Reporting time will be **9:00 A.M** on **30th March 2019**.

1. IMPORTANT NOTE:

Students participating in Moot Court Competition are not allowed to participate in Client Counselling and vice versa.

2. TEAM COMPOSITION

 Each team must consist of two participants only.
The two participants may be from any of the LL.B. 3 year course or B.A. LL.B/B.COM.LL.B 5 year courses. Teams shall not be altered after registration.

3. COMPETITION FORMAT

 There shall be 3 Rounds of Counselling session. The Preliminary Counselling Session, then the semi-finals (1 team with highest mark from each rooms) and two teams with highest score from the semifinals will be selected for the Final Counselling Session. Rules given below shall apply to both rounds.
Total time given will be **30 minutes** per team (for preliminary round and semifinals) and for the finals time allowed will be **40 minutes**.

3) Each Counselling Session is divided into three parts: Consultation, Post-Consultation and Critique

CONSULTATION:

1) The consultation period shall be for **20 minutes.**

2) The time period will start from the moment the client enters the chamber.

3) The time period is meant to be used for inter alia consultation with the client during which participants are expected to elicit the relevant information, outline the problem, find the clients expectations and propose a solution or other means of resolving the problem.

4) During the consultation and post-consultation, the team may use books, notes and other materials. The team may also use office props (Files, furnishings, bookshelves etc.) and any other material to furnish their consultation room or for other relevant purposes which is to be brought by the teams themselves.

5) The time period is to be strictly adhered to but the judges may, in case of any reasonable circumstances provide an extra one minute to the team after which the client would necessarily leave and the post-consultation period would begin.

6) If the extended consultation session allowed an opportunity for a team to gather more information than other teams, this circumstance should be taken into consideration by the judges in making their decision. Judges may, in their discretion, penalize teams that allow the interview session to run longer than the stipulated time period.

POST CONSULTATION:

1) In the post-consultation period the participants shall talk to each other loudly so as to be audible to the judges or may indirectly address them in any other manner.

2) Participants may summarize the interview, indicate the scope of the legal work to be undertaken, and state the legal issues that should be researched.

Explanation of the position or attitude taken by the students may be useful. 3) If the students feel that some documents are appropriate, like a letter to the client confirming their retention as attorneys, the fee arrangement etc, or a letter to 2 opposing counsel or to the party with whom the client is having their legal problems etc., they may dictate such a document at the post consultation stage.

4) The time period for post consultation is **5 minutes**.

5) At the completion of the time period of Post-Consultation the time Keeper shall stop the participants or signal them to stop in an obvious manner. Failure of the participants to comply with the above rule will attract negative marking as prescribed by the Organizer to the judges.

CRITIQUE:

1) After the completion of the Post-Consultation period the judges may question the participants on matters deliberated upon or mentioned by the participants or the client during the consultation of post-consultation period.

2) The judges may ask any question which they consider material and questions meant to test the participants understanding of the facts and/or law applicable or applied by the participants in the case.

3) The time period for this session is **5 minutes** and the judges may extend it at their discretion.

4. **SEMIFINALS**: The time and rules for semifinals shall be same as the preliminary round. 1 team with highest mark from each room will be selected for finals

5. FINALS:

Same rules as prelims to be applied but the total time allowed will be 40 minutes divided as follows:

- 1) Consultation: 25 minutes
- 2) Post consultation: 7.5 minutes
- 3) Critique: 7.5 minutes

6. LAW APPLICABLE:

The problems shall be broadly based on but not completely limited to the following laws and participants are expected to have knowledge of any other ancillary laws and procedures:

- (i) Constitution law
- (ii) Family law
- (iii) Indian Penal Code,1860,Code of Criminal Procedure,1973 and Indian Evidence Act,1872

7. JUDGING CRITERIA (total 100 marks)

1. Alternative Courses of Action (10 marks): Consistent with the analysis of the client's problem, developed a set of potentially effective and feasible alternatives, both legal and nonlegal.

2. Client's Goals and Expectations (20 marks): Learned the client's goals and initial expectations; modified or developed these as necessary.

3. Moral and Ethical Issues (10 marks): Recognized, clarified and responded to any moral or ethical issues which may have arisen, without being prejudicial in judgments.

4. Post-Interview Reflection(20 marks): During the follow up phase, gave evidence of having recognized their own and the client's feelings, the strengths and limitations of their interviewing and counselling skills, their handling of the substantive aspects of the client's problems (legal and non-legal), provided for an effective follow-up.

5. Problem Analysis and Effective Conclusion (20 marks): Analysed the client's problem with creativity and from both legal and non-legal perspectives, resulting in a clear and useful formulation of the problem.

6. Teamwork (20 marks): As collaborating counselors, worked together as a team, with flexibility and an appropriate balance of participation. Marks allotted by the Judges shall be final.

8. AWARDS:

There shall be a winner of the Competition and other awards and prizes may be declared during the prize distribution of the Competition. Cash prize will be as follows:

1) 1st Prize: Rs. 3500/- WINNER 2) 2nd Prize: Rs. 2500/- First Runner up 3) Best Client: Rs. 1100/-

9. REGISTRATIONS AND FEES

Registration fees is Rs. 2500 and accommodation & meals included. Registration fees for the competition is Rs. 2500 including the fees for accommodation to be paid through Demand Draft.

Account Name- **Principal, Rayat College of Law, payable at Ropar** and the receipt of the same and Registration form shall be via Email at <u>rcl2019cc@gmail.com</u>

Last date for payment of registration fees is **18th March 2019** and sending soft copy of form is - **18th March 2019**.

10.ACCOMODATION

1) The accommodation for all the participating teams shall be provided on 30 March 2019.

2) Travel of the teams from outstation and to/from venue of the Competition must be at team's own expense.

3) The maximum of two members are allowed to participate in the Competition. No teams coaches shall be allowed to accompany the teams or to witness their rounds.

4) The participating teams are requested to carry their own set of lock and keys for the accommodation.

5) Internet facility shall be provided to the teams at their respective accommodation.

6) The teams coming by their own conveyance shall be allowed to park their vehicle on the campus.

7) Rayat Group of Institutions is a non smoking campus. No participating team shall indulge in smoking, drinking or any other objectionable activities.



Indulgence in such activities shall invite disciplinary action and instant disqualification.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Last date for registration including fees (soft copy) – **18th March, 2019** Last date for registration (hard copy) – **18th March, 2019**

Participants are requested to send the hard copies on the address stated below:

RAYAT GROUP OF INSTITUTES

Principal Rayat College of Law (6 kms from Ropar on Chandigarh- Ropar-Jalandhar Highway) V.P.O:- Railmajra, District. Ropar, Punjab- 140001 Phones: 01881-270500, 270691, 270693 Fax: 01881-270501

*please do mention client counselling on the top of the envelop.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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REGISTRATION FORM

Rayat College of Law National Client Counselling Competition, 2019

	Name of 1st Advocate Father's name	
	Date of Birth Class	Gender
	Mobile no.	

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Accommodation required- Yes/ No Please Specify dates for which accommodation is required :

Name, Address and Contact No. of University/Institution/College.....

.....Pin Code

Email Address.....

(Signatures)

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Seal and Signatures of Principal / Head of Institute