ESSEX COURT CHAMBERS

BARRISTERS

SINGAPORE ACADEMY OF LAW



ECC – SAL INTERNATIONAL MOOTING COMPETITION

Singapore

8 – 12 January 2027

INTRODUCTION

The ECC-SAL International Mooting Competition 2027, co-organised by the members of Essex Court Chambers (ECC) and the Singapore Academy of Law (SAL), presents a well-recognised opportunity for young lawyers to showcase and hone their skills as advocates.

Now in its 15th year, the Competition is open to young advocates from Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore and South Korea. All rounds of the Competition will take place in Singapore.

DATES OF THE COMPETITION

In the group stages, teams will be randomly split into groups in which they will moot against one another (and thus each participate in several moots). The winner of each group will proceed to the Semi-Finals.

Preliminaries (the group stages)

Friday, 8 January 2027

Semi-Finals

Saturday, 9 January 2027

Grand Final

Tuesday, 12 January 2027

ELIGIBILITY

Lawyers and legal service officers who have been qualified for practice for no more than four years as of 1 January 2027, and are not practising in England & Wales, are welcome to register their interest.

Teams may comprise mooters from the same or different law firms and organisations, with each participating firm or organisation asked to submit no more than two teams.

A reserve list of teams will be compiled in the event that more than two teams apply from the same organisation. The organisers will consider all relevant circumstances in each jurisdiction when interpreting the eligibility criteria, and the organising committee reserves the right to exercise discretion for its decisions.

PRIZE

The winning team will be offered an expenses paid two-week internship at Essex Court Chambers in London, one of the leading commercial sets of barristers' chambers in England.

Awards will also be given for the Best Speaker, Best Memorandum submitted and the Best International Team.

THE MOOT PROBLEM

There will be one Moot Problem with two issues of English contract law. The Moot Problem will be based on a fictional case in the Singapore International Commercial Court (SICC) incorporating the SICC rules, subject only to contrary provisions in the Moot Handbook. The Moot Problem and Moot Handbook, which contains the rules of the Competition, will be released after registration has closed.

The Preliminary Rounds will be based on a first-instance hearing before the SICC. The Semi-Finals and Grand Final will be based on an appeal from the SICC to the Singapore Court of Appeal. A judgment forming part of the Moot Problem will be released for the purposes of the later rounds of the Competition.

REGISTRATION FEE

Upon confirmation of registration, a non-refundable entry fee per team of S$300.00 (exclusive of GST) is to be made payable to the "Singapore Academy of Law".

HOW TO REGISTER

Please submit your details for registration using this link: **https://events.sal.sg/ECCSALMootingCompetition2027**

Registration closes at 1800 (UTC+08:00) on 4 December 2026 or when a total of 32 teams have been registered for the Competition, whichever is earlier.

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