# **MARKING SCHEME**

## FOR MEMORIAL

### I. Content (40 marks)

- 1. Issue Identification: (5 marks)
  - Clarity and accuracy in identifying the issues
- 2. Argumentation: (15 marks)
  - Strength and persuasiveness of arguments
  - Use of relevant authorities and precedents
- 3. Analysis and Application: (10 marks)
  - Depth and accuracy of analysis
  - Effective application of law to facts
- 4. Conclusion: (10 marks)
  - Clarity and persuasiveness of conclusion

# II. Organization and Structure (20 marks)

- 1. Introduction: (5 marks)
  - Clarity and effectiveness of introduction
- 2. Body: (10 marks)
  - Logical organization and coherence
  - Effective use of headings and subheadings
- 3. Conclusion: (5 marks)
  - Clarity and persuasiveness of conclusion

# III. Writing Style and Conventions (20 marks)

- 1. Clarity and Conciseness: (10 marks)
  - Effectiveness in conveying complex ideas
  - Avoidance of unnecessary words and phrases
- 2. Grammar, Punctuation, and Spelling: (5 marks)
  - Accuracy in grammar, punctuation, and spelling
- 3. Citation and References: (5 marks)

- Accuracy and consistency in citation and referencing

## IV. Compliance with Rules (20 marks)

- 1. Word Limit: (5 marks)
  - Adherence to word limit
- 2. Format and Layout: (10 marks)
  - Adherence to required format and layout
- 3. Submission Deadline: (5 marks)
  - Timely submission of memorial

#### FOR ORAL ROUNDS

# I. Argumentation (40 marks)

- 1. Relevance and Pertinence (10 marks)
  - Ability to address the issues and questions posed
  - Relevance of arguments to the case
- 2. Strength and Persuasiveness (15 marks)
  - Convincingness of arguments
  - Ability to anticipate and respond to counter-arguments
- 3. Use of Authorities (10 marks)
  - Effective use of statutes, case law, and other authorities
  - Ability to interpret and apply authorities to the case
- 4. Depth and Complexity (5 marks)
  - Depth of analysis and understanding of the issues
  - Ability to tackle complex legal concepts

#### II. Advocacy Skills (30 marks)

- 1. Communication and Clarity (10 marks)
  - Ability to communicate complex ideas clearly and concisely
  - Effective use of language and tone
- 2. Courtroom Manners and Etiquette (10 marks)

- Respect for the bench and opponents
- Adherence to courtroom protocols and procedures

#### 3. Confidence and Presence (5 marks)

- Confidence and poise in presenting arguments
- Ability to engage with the bench and opponents

#### 4. Time Management (5 marks)

- Ability to manage time effectively during the argument

## **III. Responsiveness to Questions (30 marks)**

- 1. Ability to Answer Questions (15 marks)
  - Ability to respond clearly and concisely to questions
  - Effectiveness in addressing the bench's concerns
- 2. Thoughtfulness and Reflection (10 marks)
  - Ability to think critically and reflectively in response to questions
  - Willingness to consider alternative perspectives
- 3. Calmness Under Pressure (5 marks)
  - Ability to remain calm and composed under questioning

Total: 100 marks