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Law Society of Upper Canada hosts the 2016 Paralegal Cup

Toronto – On November 19 and 20, The Law Society of Upper Canada is hosting the fourth annual Paralegal Cup Intercollegiate Mooting Competition – the only intercollegiate mooting competition exclusive to paralegal students in Ontario.

Mooting, a popular form of mock legal argumentation at law schools, involves two student teams identifying and addressing legal issues in a selected contemporary Canadian case. The competition is designed to strengthen student advocacy and critical thinking skills by focusing on oral and written advocacy, professionalism, and resiliency.

The competition is open to all students enrolled in a Paralegal Diploma or Certificate program, recognized by the Law Society of Upper Canada.

"The Paralegal Cup strengthens students' advocacy and critical thinking skills. It gives them the opportunity to argue complex pieces of law in a learning environment, while interacting with senior mentors from the legal community," said Madeline Williams, Paralegal Cup Coordinator, Steering Committee Member, and Humber Paralegal Degree Student.

"The calibre of participating students is strong. Many put in long hours preparing for the event and capitalize on their chance to demonstrate their abilities in front of industry professionals," she explains.

Day one of the competition features four rounds of student team submissions along with industry and professional networking opportunities. The top eight teams advance to day two, with the winning team awarded the Paralegal Cup.

The daytime competition is free and open to the public. Tickets to attend the formal dinner are available at 2016paralegalcup.eventbrite.ca.

For more information about the 2016 Paralegal Cup, visit paralegalcup.ca

Details

Date: November 19 & 20, 2016

Time: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Law Society of Upper Canada, Osgoode Hall, 130 Queen St. West, Toronto

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