## **CNLU MEDIATION PROBLEM**

## SEMI FINALS

## THREE EYED RAVEN PVT. LTD. V. DURMSTRANG INSTITUTE

A. Durmstrang Institute is the leading institute in the country known for its Applied Computer
 Science and Physics department and research centres. Founded in 1800s, the Durmstrang
 Institute has produced several Nobel laureates, research scientists and revolutionary
 entrepreneurs.

**B.** Samwell Tarly is a child prodigy in the field of Applied Computer Sciences. At the age of 7, he 5 6 developed software that brought a revolution in artificial intelligence. Later on, he developed 7 several other software and programmes and became a pioneer in the field of Artificial Intelligence. Inspired by "Jarvis" from the Hollywood movie "Iron-Man", his post-doctoral 8 9 thesis was based upon developing a similar kind of Artificial Intelligence programme. However, 10 considering the complex nature of software and the kind of funds required, Samwell Tarly was not able to provide a finished version of it during his post-doctoral thesis although he had 11 12 already named the software as "Three-Eye".

- 13 C. In 2016, Samwell Tarly joined the Durmstrang Institute as the Head of Department for 14 Artificial Intelligence. During his lectures and research sessions, he had a habit of boasting 15 about his doctoral research on *"Three-eye"* which eventually used to develop curiosity among the 16 students and then the entire session spent on discussing problems and possibilities of 17 developing *"Three-Eye"*.
- D. In 2018, Durmstrang Institute got its new Vice Chancellor, Mr Omar Devon Little. Mr Little
   was not very happy with the individualist research approach being practiced in the University.
   He emphasised upon the fact that despite the University being reputed as a mass producer of
   Nobel laureates and research scientists, the number of patents and copyrights belonging to the
   University was not encouraging enough. As a result, Mr Little started working on developing an
   IPR policy for the students and the staff of the University.
- E. In 2019, the IPR Policy for the Durmstrang Institute was brought into effect. As per the policy,
  any IPR developed within the institute by either the staff or the student shall be notified to the
  Institute and the Institute shall have the right to claim ownership over such IPR. However, it
  was made clear in the policy that the Institute will not claim rights over IPR developed prior to
  the enactment of the policy.
- F. Around the same time, Samwell Tarly had finished developing "*Three-eye*". Soon the news
  regarding Samwell Tarly developing a game changing technology broke in international media
  and renowned businessman, Bobby Axelrod, showed his interest in commercially exploiting
  "*Three eye*" along with Samwell Tarly. A new company, "The Three Eyed Raven Pvt. Ltd." was
  formed wherein Samwell Tarly and Bobby Axelrod had 30:70 shareholding.
- G. Soon thereafter, The Three Eyed Raven Pvt. Ltd. applied for copyright on the programming codes of "*Three Eye*" but as a surprise, Durmstrang Institute raised objections over the ownership of "*Three Eye*". The Three Eyed Raven Pvt. Ltd. wanted the matter to be taken to court but was then required to exhaust the pre-institution mediation clause under Section 12A of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015. The mediation was referred to a body constituted under the Legal Services Authority Act 1987 wherein the parties have agreed to be represented by their respective counsels.