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Greetings from Pepperdine University's Caruso School of Law London Programme!

A number of years ago, we started the fine tradition of a mixed team moot, The Pepperdine – Middle Temple Royal Courts of Justice Moot.

As you may know, American graduate law students from Pepperdine study in London during their second or third year to take courses in international law as well as required American law courses. In addition, our students take part in moot competitions including one in partnership with Middle Temple students and one against a Middle Temple team.

One of the most popular moots is the one we host at the **Royal Courts of Justice** for Pepperdine and Middle Temple students. In keeping with tradition, we wish to invite interested student members from Middle Temple to take part in the annual Royal Courts of Justice Moot Court Competition taking place on **Thursday, 5 November 2026 at the RCJ from 6.15pm to 8.15pm, followed by refreshments with the judges at the George Pub.**

Whether you are a novice or an experienced mooter, you are encouraged to take part in this year's Pepperdine-Middle Temple Royal Courts of Justice Moot. Part of our tradition is to have mixed teams, that is, each team will be comprised of a Middle Temple student member, paired with a Pepperdine student.

Last year we had an overwhelming amount of interest in the RCJ Moot. This year we will be choosing up to 12 Middle Temple moot participants at random to compete. Please have your application completed online as per instructions you'll find on the Middle Temple website. **Your application is due on or before Wednesday, 7 October at 5pm.** Once accepted and confirmed I will put you in touch with your Pepperdine partner.

The moot problem will be sent to you by 23 October 2026. A list of authorities you are relying upon, and your skeleton arguments are to be exchanged by e-mail with your opposing counsel 48 hours in advance of the moot. Bundles should be prepared for your judges, and I will confirm to you when sending the problem whether these are to be printed and presented on the day or submitted as electronic bundles ahead of the competition. Lead Counsel will argue for 15 minutes, Junior Counsel for 10 minutes.

Come and enjoy the evening and feel free to bring your supporters!

With kind regards

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