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National Champions in the 2018 Transactional LawMeet® Competition are Named

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Sixteen teams competed in the National Championship of the 2018 Transactional LawMeet® hosted by the New York offices of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP. This year's case involved the acquisition of all the outstanding capital stock of Volt Process Design Company (Volt) by an affiliate of Beijing Global Investors Limited (BGI). Volt is a process control software company based in Philadelphia. It is controlled by its Founder, Dr. Ronald Richards, and his children. BGI is a Beijing-based private equity investment firm. While BGI invests primarily inside China, its newest fund is pursuing a strategy of investing in privately-held companies based in North America or Europe that can benefit from BGI's network to expand their businesses in China. The teams in this year's LawMeet® were asked to draft and negotiate the acquisition agreement for this US\$2.25 billion transaction. The sixteen teams that advanced to the national rounds included:

Albany Law School
Detroit Mercy Law School
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law (Two Teams)
South Texas College of Law Houston
University of Arkansas School of Law
University of Denver Sturm College of Law
University of Georgia School of Law
University of Kansas School of Law
University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law
University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law
University of San Diego School of Law
University of Tennessee College of Law
University of Texas at Austin School of Law
University of Wisconsin Law School
Widener University Delaware Law School

Jennifer Cacchio, Keith Kelly, and Danielle Wallace from University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law and Zachary Pfister, Rebecca Stifter, and Keith Zittle from University of Denver Sturm College of Law were named National Champions.

Rajdeep Bains, Kayla Brennan, and Sara Pike from University of San Diego School of Law and Joseph Natt, Meryl See, and Steve Zavodnick from University of Georgia School of Law were named National Semi-Finalists.

Jennifer Cacchio, Keith Kelly, and Danielle Wallace from University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law and Joseph Natt, Meryl See, and Steve Zavodnick from University of Georgia School of Law were named Best Draft recipients.

The full Case Statement for this year's case can be found [here](#) along with a list of participating [judges](#). All photographs from the LawMeet® can be viewed on our [Facebook Page](#).

The 2018 National Transactional LawMeet was sponsored by Bloomberg Law with the generous support of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP. A total of ninety six teams competed in this year's regional competitions.

About LawMeets

LawMeets was founded in 2010 by Drexel University law professor Karl Okamoto as a way to deliver practical skills exercises to law students interested in transactional law. He organized the first Transactional LawMeet, with 11 participating teams, in 2010. This year, LawMeets organized the 9th Annual Transactional LawMeet, with 96 participating teams. In 2011, LawMeets added the Intellectual Property LawMeet and later the American College of Bankruptcy LawMeet. In 2017, LawMeets added the Startup LawMeet which held its National Rounds at the Palo Alto office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. In addition to hosting competitions for law students, LawMeets creates practical skills exercises for law professors that are delivered through an online platform.

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