

One Day National Workshop on  
**Fundamentals & Procedure of Trial Advocacy**– Report  
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On 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Monday, between 9am to 4pm the Crescent School of Law conducted a one-day workshop on Fundamentals and Procedures of Trial Advocacy, featuring Advocate Simarjeet Singh Satia coming all the way from New Delhi. The workshop had more than 180 enthusiastic participations from various law schools and was a resounding success.

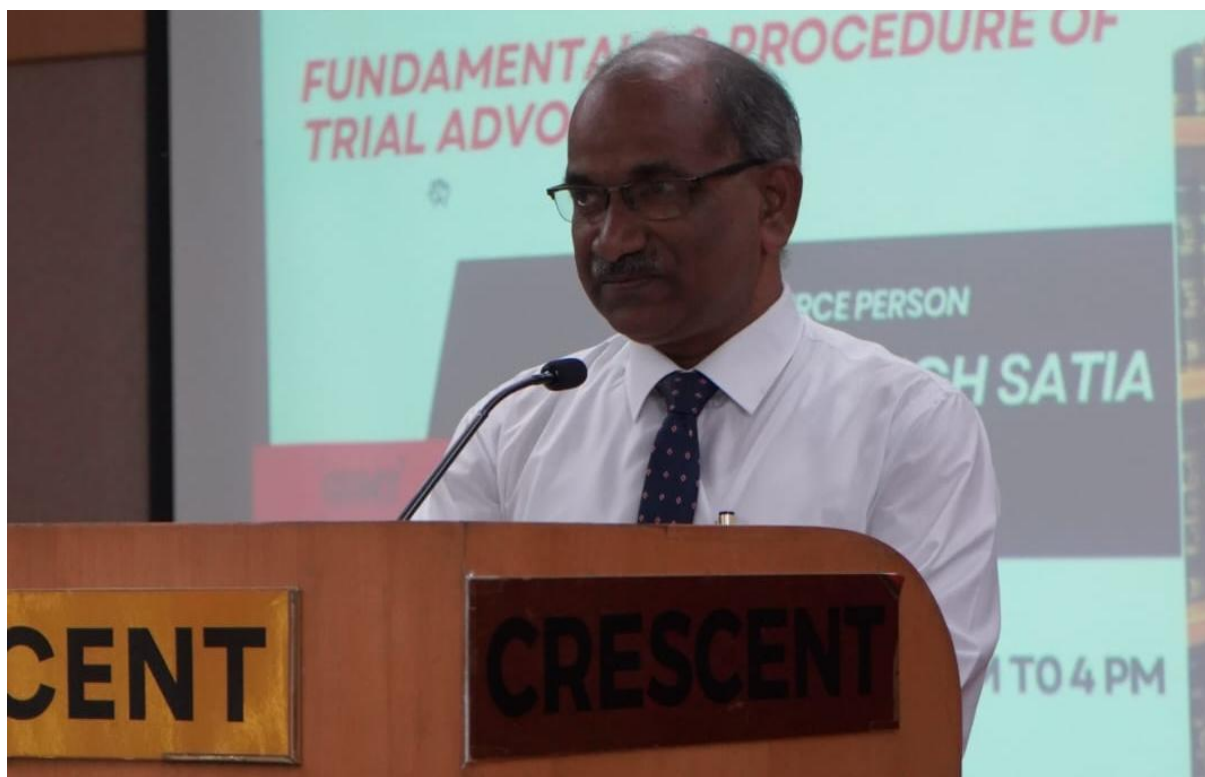
The workshop aimed to provide law students with an in-depth understanding of trial advocacy memorials, emphasizing a line-by-line analysis of key components, nuanced approaches to evidences and exhibits, and fostering an interactive and insightful learning environment. The detailed report of the engaging, informative, and insightful workshop can be found below.

The Trial Advocacy Workshop began on a positive note with the swift commencement of registrations at 8 AM and the prompt arrival of participants. This efficient start not only facilitated a smooth and organized beginning but also set the tone for a day filled with enthusiasm, engagement, and collaborative learning.

The event commenced with a serene Qirath recitation and its translation by M Sulafiya – BBA LLB (2<sup>nd</sup> year) followed by a patriotic delivery of

TamizhThaaiVazhthu by Ayesha and Dharini – BBA LLB (2<sup>nd</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> year) which set an auspicious tone to the day's proceeding.

Dr. C. Chockalingam the Dean of Crescent School of Law delivered a warm welcome address, extending a hearty welcome to all attendees, organizers, and the resource person, he also highlighted the importance of trial advocacy, and its significance in the legal profession. He emphasized on how the faculty coordinators are constantly challenging the boundaries of Crescent school of Law and exploring various fields and areas of study. The key areas covered included the importance of trial advocacy skills, the role of effective communication in the courtroom, and the broader impact of well-executed advocacy on legal outcomes.



The Registrar of the University, Raja Hussain sir graced the occasion with a felicitation address, commending the initiative taken by Crescent School of Law and Samsul Sameera ma'am – the coordinating secretary in organizing such a beneficial workshop that would open new windows of enlightenment in the student minds. He also warmly welcomed the resource person Advocate Simarjeet Singh Satia, a practicing lawyer at Delhi High Court acknowledging his esteemed presence and invaluable contribution to the legal fraternity. He concluded the address by discussing the broader impact that effective trial advocacy can have on legal outcomes. By weaving together elements of legal strategy, ethical considerations, and the pursuit of justice.



Following that the Dean and Registrar felicitated the Chief guest with a silk shawl and hamper acknowledging his contribution to trial advocacy & the field of law. The bright smiles on their faces added a new layer of brightness to the day.



Samsul Sameera Ma'am, took the stage to offer participants a glimpse into the behind-the-scenes intricacies, the thoughtful planning process, and the dedication that went into orchestrating the trial advocacy workshop. She expressed gratitude to the team members, volunteers, and everyone involved in

bringing the workshop to fruition. The organizing secretary delved into the meticulous thought process that shaped the workshop's agenda and structure.



### Session 1

The workshop kicked off with an enlightening session by Advocate Simarjeet Singh Satia, where he delved into the intricacies of trial advocacy. He provided a comprehensive explanation of the fundamentals of trial advocacy, elucidating on the approach to preparing trial advocacy memorials and highlighting other important procedural details.



One of the standout features of the workshop was Satia's meticulous examination of trial advocacy memorial he had prepared beforehand. With a keen eye for detail, he guided participants through each and every line,

explaining the rationale behind every choice of language and legal argument. This granular approach enabled students to gain a deeper understanding of the thought process involved in constructing effective and persuasive legal documents.



Advocate Satia went beyond the basics, delving into the nuances and potential lacunae that may arise in trial advocacy memorials. He explained about jurisdictions, and other key areas that needed attention: By highlighting common pitfalls and providing practical solutions. This focus on practical application set the workshop apart, bridging the gap between theory and practice.

## Session 2

The workshop also dedicated a significant portion to the crucial aspect of handling evidences and exhibits during trials. Advocate Satia shared valuable insights on how to approach different types of evidence, emphasizing the importance of meticulous preparation, effective cross-examination, and strategic presentation. Participants gained a comprehensive understanding of the art of presenting a compelling case through the careful handling of evidentiary materials.

His engaging teaching style fostered a highly interactive session. Participants were encouraged to ask questions, share their perspectives, and actively participate in discussions. This approach not only enhanced the overall learning experience but also created an atmosphere conducive to exchanging ideas and experiences.



From the outset, students demonstrated a high level of interest and eagerness to engage with the workshop content. Eager participation laid the foundation for an interactive and mutually beneficial learning experience. Advocate Simarjeet Satia's interactive teaching style encouraged students to share their thoughts, ask questions, and actively participate in the discussions. The students responded with enthusiasm, offering insightful answers to the questions posed by the speaker. This two-way interaction not only enhanced the learning experience but also fostered a collaborative environment where both the speaker and participants contributed to the collective understanding of trial advocacy.

### Session 3

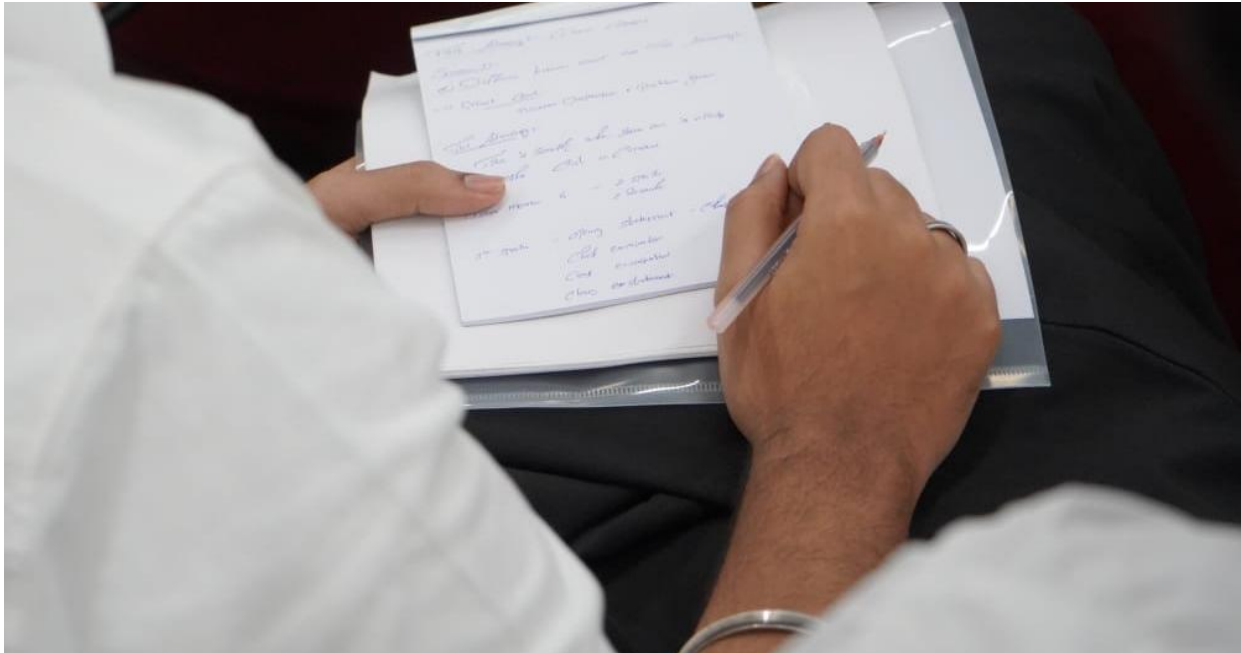
The Trial Advocacy Workshop entered its afternoon session with a unique and enriching activity as Advocate Simarjeet Satia graciously took the time to listen to diverse defense stories shared by the participants. This session provided a valuable opportunity for students to apply the concepts discussed earlier in the day and receive personalized feedback from an experienced advocate.

Advocate Satia encouraged an environment of openness, emphasizing that the stories could be based on hypothetical scenarios, real cases, or personal experiences. This approach aimed to facilitate a rich and varied discussion, allowing participants to explore different facets of trial advocacy. He demonstrated his expertise by offering personalized feedback and guidance after each defense story presentation. Participants received constructive critique on their approach to legal arguments, the selection of evidence, and overall trial strategy. The individualized attention allowed students to connect theoretical concepts discussed earlier in the workshop with the practical application in their specific cases.



He began by elucidating the fundamental principles of cross-examinations, emphasizing its critical role in unraveling the truth within the courtroom. He dissected various techniques, unveiling a toolbox of strategies that participants could employ to navigate this crucial phase of trial advocacy successfully. He curated a compelling role-play scenario, simulating a courtroom setting complete with witnesses, opposing counsel, and the presiding judge. Participants were assigned various roles, enabling them to experience the intricacies of cross-examinations firsthand. The scenario was thoughtfully crafted to encompass a range of legal challenges, ensuring a comprehensive learning experience.

Advocate Satia guided them through the process of applying the cross-examination techniques in the workshop. This hands-on approach allowed students to test their understanding of controlled questioning, impeachment of credibility, strategic use of leading questions, and maintaining a composed demeanor in a real-time, interactive setting.



The Trial Advocacy Workshop reached a pivotal juncture as Advocate Simarjeet Satia, with his wealth of experience, shared invaluable insights on the art of delivering conclusions in trial advocacy. This session not only highlighted the significance of a compelling conclusion but also equipped participants with the tools to leave a lasting impression in the courtroom.

#### Valedictory Ceremony.

The Valedictory Ceremony of the Trial Advocacy Workshop marked the culmination of an insightful and enriching experience, bringing together participants, dignitaries, and organizers to acknowledge the accomplishments and express gratitude for the collective dedication that defined this transformative event.

The Trial Advocacy Workshop drew to a close with a poignant and heartfelt vote of thanks delivered by Dr. A. Vijayalakshmi. Her words resonated with appreciation as she expressed gratitude to all the dignitaries, participants, and organizers whose collective efforts played a pivotal role in the resounding success of the event. She expressed gratitude to dignitaries, including Advocate Simarjeet Satia, participants, and organizers for their valuable contributions. She commended participants for active engagement, recognized the meticulous efforts of the organizing team, and acknowledged collaborators.





Following the conclusion of the workshop, the Dean took a moment to recognize and express gratitude to the hardworking staff whose efforts played a crucial role in ensuring the seamless execution of the event. The staff's commitment to excellence did not go unnoticed, and the Dean sought to commemorate their contributions. In a bid to immortalize the collaborative efforts and capture the spirit of the day, the Dean suggested a staff photograph on the stage.

The Valedictory Ceremony of the Trial Advocacy Workshop concluded on a patriotic note as attendees stood united, reciting the national anthem. The resonant notes of the national anthem echoed through the venue, creating an atmosphere of camaraderie and shared purpose.

This poignant moment, symbolizing unity and pride, set the stage for the distribution of certificates, officially bringing the transformative event to an end. Each certificate represented not just the culmination of theoretical learning but also the practical skills honed and connections forged during the event.



In conclusion, the Trial Advocacy Workshop stands as a testament to the power of knowledge, collaboration, and shared commitment within the legal community. From the illuminating sessions led by Advocate Simarjeet Satia to the interactive role-play examinations and insightful discussions, the event provided participants with a holistic understanding of trial advocacy. May the knowledge gained here pave the way for continued growth and excellence in the legal profession.

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