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The **ADR Competition Honor Society's** team competed at the **15th ICC International Mediation Competition** in Paris. During the competition, student teams representing 66 universities work to resolve international business disputes through mediation, guided by professional mediators. Their performance is evaluated by some of the world's leading dispute resolution specialists who participate in the competition as judges.

Cardozo's team consists of 2L Geena Caporale, 2L Brendan Gilmartin, and 2L Sean McLaughlin. They were coached by 3L Federico Zepeda and 3L Lu Stefanos and their faculty coach was Professor Donna Erez-Navot.

The team made it through to the eighth finals, competing against Bar Ilan University, University of New South Wales, Pontifical Catholic University of Sao Paulo and University of Maastricht for the initial rounds. In their final round they competed against Royal Holloway, University of London.

There were 66 student teams competing, representing 33 countries. "We are very excited and motivated by the results of the 15th Annual ICC Mediation Competition," said 3L student Lu Stefanos. "Part of the difficulty with succeeding

in an international competition like this is understanding cultural differences, and it was a true testament to the competitors' skill that they were able to navigate these differences while still advancing their interests as parties.”

Cardozo's teams have been actively competing this year. In the fall of 2019, two ADR Competition Honor Society teams competed at St. John's University's Annual Dispute Resolution Securities Triathlon. The teams included 2Ls Geena Caporale, Brendan Gilmartin, and Jairus Pollard, coached by 3L Eian Weiner, and 2Ls Madeline Perez, Christopher Junior and 3L Danielle Stein, coached by 3L Danielle Tuluca, with the help of Professor Weisenfeld. Both teams won third and fourth places, respectively, in the People's Choice Advocate Awards.

At the New York Law School IP competition, two teams competed, composed of 2Ls Joanna Tulman and Marisa Masters, coached by 3L Lauren Gershoni, and 2Ls Michael Silbert and Nicholas Taltos coached by 3L Alexia Landesman. Alexia's team won second place overall in the competition, with the assistance of Lauren's team, who helped them go through the semi-finals fact pattern in just a half hour.

2Ls Jasmine Cooper-Little and Parris Zakarin attended ABA Negotiation in Chicago, coached by 3L Armand Zappa and 3L Aaron Slansky, and advanced to the finals.

2Ls Karolina Katsnelson, Sean McLaughlin, and Elan Stiberman competed at AAA Arbitration in NYC and they were coached by 3Ls Lauren Cohen and Dean Linn.