

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Legal Committee at UCBMUN XXI! My name is Wendie Yeung and I will be your Head Chair. I am a fourth year Economics major with a minor in Public Policy and am originally from Seattle (go Seahawks). I have been involved in MUN since my freshman year and served as Secretary for the past two years. My other campus involvements include the Vice Chancellor Student Advisory Committee, working as a campus tour guide, and serving as a research assistant on human-centered design in international development. When I'm not caught up in MUN-related shenanigans or schoolwork, I enjoy exploring the Bay Area/San Francisco, hiking, and reading.

Given that UCBMUN is one of the only conferences on the circuit to host a legal committee, your Legal Director Shriram Apte and I are determined to make this committee as unique, interesting, and argumentative as it has been in previous years and are excited for what you all will bring to committee.

This year's legal committee will take on the 1985 Trial of the Juntas in the Argentinian Cámara Court. This was a judicial trial of the military junta members that carried out numerous horrific crimes during the Dirty War, a period of state terrorism that sought to eliminate left-wing political opponents in Argentina. While the nature of the Dirty War tactics employed by the juntas are indisputably criminal, the context of the Dirty War and the juntas' power structure complicate the facets of this trial. As members of the court, you will need to form a cohesive opinion not solely on the guilt of the Juntas but on the allocation and extent of the culpability and responsibility of the crimes committed under their regime.

I look forward to meeting all of you and hope you are excited for what is sure to be a fun and rewarding conference. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Shriram or I if you ever have any questions or concerns!

I would like to welcome you to UCBMUN XXI's Legal Committee: Trial of the Juntas. My name is Shriram Apte and I will serve as your Legal Director for this committee. I am a senior studying Business at the Haas School of Business at UC Berkeley. A California native, I've traveled the circuit as a delegate of DVCMUN as well as UCBMUN. I look forward to having a successful committee and eagerly anticipate your legal largesse.

I have been doing Model United Nations since my sophomore year of high school and have previously served in a variety of organizational and staffing positions in a committee. As a business major, I am very interested in the impacts fiscal and monetary policy have in shaping the destiny of a country. I am interested in financial technology or "fintech" (the word used by people who want to make themselves sound smarter than they are) and the impact it can have on financial services and their accessibility to the underbanked population.

The subject of this committee covers one of the most hotly contested and emotional war crime trials of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. It will be your job to render judgement as a judiciary representing the Argentinian people. The committee will debate the nuance of the facts of the case as well as the spirit of the law in order to reach and render a verdict. This committee will be a little different as you will be updated of the peoples' reactions to your actions and progress. Events may be triggered throughout the committee and it will be up to you to decide whether how, if at all, to weigh public sentiment with the facts of the case.

I am excited to see how this committee will proceed and hope for substantive and intense debate. To achieve that goal, I plan on curating stimulating updates to the facts of the case and public sentiment in order to drive the committee to explore unique avenues and solutions. I urge you delve into this case packet with zeal and feel free to contact me if you have any questions.