



## **'Opinionated?'** **2021 Legal Opinion Competition**

# **Additional information**

A question has been raised by one of the Teams regarding Question 4 of the Fact Scenario, which asks teams if there are any actions they think Marge should take despite the purpose of the opinion being to advise Luann and her son. The question raised was whether Teams should approach this as if they are now advising Marge, or whether they should take the approach of advising Luann on the steps Marge might take?

One of the things to think about when advising a client in a dispute is the actions the other side might take, as they will also be seeking legal advice. Thinking through what the other side might do may help you advise your own client more effectively. Question 4 effectively asks you to put yourselves in the shoes of the advisers to Marge, but for the limited purpose of thinking about what actions she should be taking to protect her position. Luann will no doubt then want to know what actions she should take in response, or in general. The answer to that would be outside the scope of the question we have asked, but if you have space in your response it would be helpful to comment on that.