

The George Washington University Law School
Mock Trial Board
Upper Level Mock Trial Competition 2016

The Problem: A negligence case in which the plaintiff is the parent of a deceased teenager. Plaintiff is suing the pharmacy that supplied the teenager's medication. Plaintiff alleges that one of Defendant's pharmacists negligently supplied Plaintiff with the wrong medication, which caused the teenager's death.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31 @ 1:00-2:00 & THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST @ 4:45-5:45: INFO SESSIONS

- ✓ Identical information sessions about Fall Upper Level competitions in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5: REGISTER & SUBMIT INTENT TO COMPETE FORM

- ✓ **Register** for the Mock Trial Comp. Internal Class (6645) no later than September 5.
- ✓ **Submit an Intent to Compete form by Monday, September 5;** hard copies are available in the Distribution Center across from Records and in Dean Johnson's office (STU207) with soft copy posted on the portal page. Forms must be returned to either Dean Johnson or the Distribution Center.
- ✓ Students participate in teams of two and must supply two witnesses.
- ✓ Requests to register after the deadline will be at the discretion of Dean Johnson.
- ✓ After you are registered, continue to check the Portal for announcements. Answers to factual questions will be considered stipulations binding upon all competitors.
- ✓ This is a competition for upper-level students only. 1Ls cannot compete in this competition, although they are encouraged to participate as witnesses.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9: PROBLEM POSTED ON THE PORTAL SITE

- ✓ Each team will be responsible for preparing BOTH the Plaintiff and the Defendant side of the case. Each student will conduct an opening **or** closing statement, as well as a direct **and** a cross examination.

TBA: FIVE 1.5 HOUR TIP SESSIONS WITH ADJUNCT PROFESSOR MARK SHAFFER

- ✓ These weekly tip sessions will occur on Tuesdays or Wednesdays at around 5pm in the five weeks between the problem release and the competition: September 13-October 5, 2016.
- ✓ They will be recorded and linked to the course portal if you cannot attend.
- ✓ The exact days and times will be announced once registration concludes.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15: PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

- ✓ The preliminary rounds will be held at the Law School.
- ✓ Each team will participate in two trials, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Each team will represent plaintiff in one case and defendant in the other.
- ✓ We will attempt to make accommodations for those with religious observances.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16: ADVANCEMENT ROUNDS

- ✓ The advancement rounds will be held at the Law School.
- ✓ Trials may be held in both the morning and the afternoon for the advancement rounds. More information on these rounds will be made available in September. Two teams will advance to the finals.

TBA NOVEMBER 2016: FINAL ROUND

- ✓ The final two teams will compete at the Law School in the Moot Courtroom.
- ✓ The Finalists and overall Best Oral Advocate will be recognized with plaques.

Student Competition Co-Chairs: Sean Winker and Mojdeh Bowers can be reached at mocktrialcompetition@law.gwu.edu