

ARKANSAS MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION FORMS

A. EXPLANATION OF PRESENTATION RATINGS

Participants will be rated in the categories on the ballot on a scale of 1-10 (with 10 being the highest) according to their roles in the trial. The Judges are scoring student presentation in each category. The Judges are NOT scoring the legal merits of the case. Each category and each student is to be evaluated separately, and fractional points are not awarded.

Judges will not disclose the score sheet/ballot results to anyone other than the Arkansas Bar Association Mock Trial Committee representative. Each judge must sign his or her ballot (or use the assigned judge identification number) before it is delivered to the Arkansas Bar Association Mock Trial Committee representative. Judges shall not announce scores or results to the teams during the critique session.

Points	Presentation	Criteria for Evaluation of Student Presentation
1-2	Not Effective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibits lack of preparation/understanding of the case materials. • Communication unclear, disorganized and ineffective. • Unsure of self, does not think well on feet, depends heavily upon notes.
3-4	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibits minimal preparation/understanding of the case materials. • Communication minimally clear and organized, but lacking in fluency and persuasiveness. • Minimally self-assured, but lacks confidence under pressure.
5-6	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibits adequate preparation/understanding of the case materials. • Communication is clear and organized, but could be stronger in fluency and persuasiveness. • Generally self-assured, reads from notes very little.
7-8	Excellent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibits mastery of the case materials. • Communication is clear, organized, fluent and persuasive. • Thinks well on feet, poised under pressure, and does not read from notes.
9-10	Outstanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superior in qualities listed for 7-8 points in presentation.

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B. SCORE SHEET/BALLOT

Plaintiff/Prosecution School: _____ Defendant School: _____

Date: _____ Location of Trial: _____

Please refer to the Explanation of Rating included in your scoring packet to determine scores for the following categories. Fractional points are not allowed.

	Outstanding 10-9	Excellent 8-7	Good 6-5	Fair 4-3	Not Effective 2-1
Categories		Plaintiff			Defendant
Opening Statements		(____)			(____)
Plaintiff's First Witness		(____)			
Direct Examination		(____)			
Witness Performance		(____)	Cross Examination		(____)
Plaintiff's Second Witness		(____)			
Direct Examination		(____)			
Witness Performance		(____)	Cross Examination		(____)
Plaintiff's Third Witness		(____)			
Direct Examination		(____)			
Witness Performance		(____)	Cross Examination		(____)
Defendant's First Witness					
Direct Examination			Direct Examination		(____)
Cross Examination		(____)	Witness Performance		(____)
Defendant's Second Witness					
Direct Examination			Direct Examination		(____)
Cross Examination		(____)	Witness Performance		(____)
Defendant's Third Witness					
Direct Examination			Direct Examination		(____)
Cross Examination		(____)	Witness Performance		(____)
Closing Arguments		(____)			(____)
Column Totals		(____)			(____)

Judge Identification Number: _____

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C. OFFICIAL TIME SHEET

Date of Trial: _____

Location of Trial: _____

Plaintiff/Prosecution Team Code: _____

Defendant Team Code: _____

PLAINTIFF/PROSECUTION

DEFENDANT

		Time Used
Opening Statement	5 min	_____
Direct Examinations* (Direct/Re-direct 25 total min.)		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Re-direct Examinations*		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Total	25 min.	_____
Cross Examinations* (Cross/Re-cross 20 total min.)		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Re-cross Examinations*		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Total	20 min.	_____
Closing Argument		
	5 min.	_____
TOTAL TIME		_____

		Time Used
Opening Statement	5 min	_____
Cross Examinations* (Cross/Re-cross 20 total min.)		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Re-cross Examinations*		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Total	20 min.	_____
Direct Examinations* (Direct/Re-direct 25 total min.)		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Re-direct Examinations*		
	Witness 1	_____
	Witness 2	_____
	Witness 3	_____
Total	25 min.	_____
Closing Argument		
	5 min.	_____
TOTAL TIME		_____

Timekeeper's Name/Team Code: _____

***Remember: Clock Stops for Objections**

***Time should be rounded to the nearest one-half minute.**

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D. TEAM DISPUTE FORM—INSIDE THE BAR

(Must be filed immediately following the trial by a student member only)

Date : _____ Location and Round: _____

Plaintiff/Prosecution: _____ Defense: _____
(Enter Team Name) (Enter Team Name)

Team Lodging Dispute: _____
(Enter Team Name and City)

Grounds for Dispute: _____

Initials of Team Spokesperson: _____ Time Dispute Presented to Presiding Judge: _____

Hearing Decision of Presiding Judge: (Circle One) Grant Deny

Reason(s) for Denying Hearing or Response of Opposing Team: _____

Initials of Opposing Team Spokesperson: _____

Presiding Judge's Notes from Hearing: _____

Signature of Presiding Judge

This form must be returned to the Trial Coordinator along with the Score Sheets of the Judges.

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E. TEAM DISPUTE FORM—OUTSIDE THE BAR

(Must be filed immediately following the trial by teacher/sponsor or attorney/coach)

Date: _____ Location and Round: _____

Plaintiff/Prosecution: _____ Defense: _____
(Enter Team Name) (Enter Team Name)

Team Lodging Dispute: _____
(Enter Team Name and City)

Grounds for Dispute: _____

Initials of Team Spokesperson: _____ Time Dispute Presented to Trial Coordinator: _____

Decision of Dispute Resolution Panel: (Circle One) Grant Deny

Reason(s) for Decision: _____

Initials of Opposing Team Spokesperson: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Member of
Dispute Resolution Panel

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