APPELLATE & INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITIONS

2022-2023
These slides and many more details are on our school’s website.
Email your materials or questions to Prof. McFadden.
What do appellate moot court teams do?

- **Write Briefs**
  - Image of students working on laptops and papers.

- **Present Oral Argument**
  - Image of a man standing at a lectern in a courtroom setting.
Why do a moot court competition?

01
Valuable practical experience in writing and advocacy.

02
A chance to learn a complicated legal topic inside and out.

03
It’s fun!
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Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2019-2020
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A HISTORY OF SUCCESS

Appellate Moot Court teams at IU Maurer School of Law
First Amendment and Diversity in the Media Moot Court Competition

- 3L Amanda Marino – Best Oralist overall, 2022
Nat’l Appellate Advocacy Competition
Regional Quarterfinalists, 2022

3L Yael Massen
2L Robert Gassman
1L Sydney Schnur (bailiff)
Global Antitrust Institute Invitational Moot Court Competition, 2020-2021

- Rita Xia, Best Oralist
- The IU Maurer Team of Rita Xia, Jonathan Sussler, and Justin Snyder won Best Brief
Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, Regional Semifinalists 2020-2021

- The IU Maurer team of Rachel Myers, Olivia Potter, Dakota Coates, and Hussein Mohamed lost a difficult semifinal round to NYU after defeating Michigan, University of Texas, University of Virginia, and others.
- The team also received the second-highest brief score (beating NYU).
Global Antitrust Institute Invitational Moot Court Competition, 2019-2020, 2nd place team

- The IU Maurer team of Betsy Astrup, Alyssa Gerstner, and Amanda Vaughan placed second overall
Global Antitrust Institute Invitational Moot Court Competition, 2018-2019 National Champions

- The IU Maurer team of Derrian Smith, Zach Miller, and Kaelyn Wietelman won the entire competition.
HOW DO I JOIN?
Eligibility

- Teams are open to all rising 2Ls and 3Ls
- Preference will be given to 3Ls with Sherman-Minton or other oral advocacy experience
- You can apply as a team or as an individual
Plan ahead

Moot Court takes time!

Most competitions release problems in the late fall, with briefs due in January. Most will involve work over winter break.

Oral arguments are scheduled for February through April.
Participants can enroll in B734 (External Moot Court Team) for one hour of academic credit. Additional credit hours may be available through directed reading or directed research with affiliated faculty. Credit is usually for spring semester.
Plan ahead

Applications for 2022-2023 teams will be due on March 11, 2022.
Faculty-led and Student-organized competitions

◦ Each year, the law school fields a team in several major national competitions with established programs.

◦ The school also has a budget to permit students to apply to compete in other competitions. These applications will be due in August at the beginning of school.

◦ Consult the school website for ideas: https://law.indiana.edu/students/advocacy/
THE COMPETITIONS

2022-2023
Chicago Bar Association Moot Court Competition

- Issue of general interest (civil or criminal, usually with a constitutional element)
- 3 members
- Problem: August 23\textsuperscript{rd}
- Brief due: October 22\textsuperscript{nd}
- Arguments: November 18-20

Faculty advisor: Prof. McFadden
National Moot Court Championships
NYC Bar Association & Amer. Coll. of Trial Lawyers

- Issue of general interest (civil or criminal, usually with a constitutional element)
- 2-3 members
- Problem: September
- Brief due: late October
- Regional Arguments: November
- Nationals: last weekend of January

Faculty advisor: Prof. McFadden
Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

- Highly complex and timely international law issues
- 5 members
- Problem: September 13th
- Memorials due: January 12th
- Regional Arguments: February & early March
- Global finals: in DC in April

Faculty advisors: Prof. Asaf Lubin, Prof. McFadden
Miller National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition

- Highly complex environmental and administrative law issues
- 2-3 members
- Problem: October 5th
- Brief due: November 22nd
- Arguments: February 23-25

Faculty advisors: Prof. Rob Fischman, Prof. McFadden
National Appellate Advocacy Competition

- Issue of general interest (civil or criminal, usually with a constitutional element) argued to U.S. Supreme Court
- 2-3 members
- Problem: November 15th
- Brief due: January 10th
- Regional Arguments: late February
- National Finals April 7-9

Faculty advisor: Prof. McFadden
Global Antitrust Invitational Moot Court Competition

- Complex issues of antitrust law
- 2-3 members
- Problem: December 3
- Brief due: January 10
- Arguments: March

Faculty advisor: Prof. Shana Wallace
Giles S. Rich Patent Law Moot Court Competition

- Complex issues of patent law
- Problem: issued in December
- Briefs due: January 31
- Arguments: March 11-13
  (national finals in April)

Faculty advisor: Prof. Mark Janis
(competition run by the Center for Intellectual Property Research)
HOW TO APPLY
Applications are due on March 11, 2022

- Resume
- Writing Sample
- Cover Letter
Send your materials and questions to Prof. McFadden by email