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Memo

To: Mock Trial Competition Participants and Judges

From: Becky Jensen

Re: Rule clarifications and additions

Date: January 25, 2005

Please consider the following clarifications/additions to the Rules of Competition and Procedures as you prepare for the competition:

1. A copy of the score sheet and scoring rubric were inadvertently not included with the rulebook. Please find a copy of each enclosed with this memo.
2. On page 1, under rule 1.3 in the second paragraph under a), please add the word “knowingly” at the beginning of the phrase so that it reads, a) **knowingly** making false statements to the judge or not correcting false information that has been presented; offering evidence the participant knows to be false.
3. On page 1, under rule 1.3 in the second paragraph under g) communicating with a judge after competition; please change the phrase to read “ g) **communicating with a judge with the intent to change the judge’s mind or challenge their scoring decision during or after the competition.**”
4. On page 1, under rule 1.3 in the second paragraph after “ i) making a statement that the participant knows to be false or with reckless disregard as to its truth or falsity concerning the qualifications or integrity of a judge,” please add the following: **“j) in trial, knowingly alluding to any matter that the lawyer does not reasonably believe is relevant or that will not be supported by admissible evidence.”**
5. On page 10, Rule 5.3., the second to the last sentence that reads, “The team that receives the majority of the ballots wins the round.” should be deleted.

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