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Mock Trial Competition: *In Vino Veritas***

San Francisco & Sonoma County, California
October 22 - 25, 2015



KARLSON v. JUSTICE



INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPETITION

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The Competition will begin with an informal welcome reception, witness preparation session, and Coaches' Meeting on Thursday evening, October 22, 2015 at 7:00 pm, at Golden Gate University School of Law, 536 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. As explained in more detail below, each team will have a witness provided by the host school and the remaining two witnesses will be advocates from the side of case not presenting in the round. We will provide time for your advocates to meet and prepare the witnesses provided by the host school at this meeting on Thursday night.

The Competition consists of two preliminary rounds of mock trial competition (Friday, October 23rd), a quarterfinal round of the eight teams with the highest scores (Saturday morning, October 24th), semifinal round of the winners of the seeded quarterfinal round (Saturday afternoon, October 24th), and a final round matching the winners of the semifinal round on Sunday morning, October 25th in "Wine Country" (Petaluma in Sonoma County). The mock trial rounds on October 23rd and 24th will be held at GGU.

The final round on Sunday will be held in Wine Country with bus transportation provided by the host school. We hope that all teams will join us for the trip North, a wine tour, and awards reception. A separate "Wine Country Itinerary" will be forthcoming and the teams will confirm for us who will join for the trip.

Because the ABA Section of Litigation sponsors this competition, it is required that all students join the section. It is FREE for students to join. To join, follow this link:

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