

State Coordinator

## 2010 National High School Mock Trial Championship Philadelphia, PA

## **Code of Ethics Form**

Due on site at the Registration Desk

State:	 Team Name:	

The National Board possesses discretion to impose sanctions, up to and including forfeiture or disqualification, for any misconduct or violation of this Code of Ethical Conduct occurring while a team is present in the host city to participate in the national tournament.

- 1. The use of alcohol, drugs and weapons is forbidden in the course of this Championship, both at all competition sites and at all mock trial sponsored events.
- 2. The Rules of the Competition and this Code of Ethical Conduct will be followed by all participants in the National High School Mock Trial Championship. Coaches will discourage willful violations of the letter and/or the spirit of the Rules and this Code.
- 3. Team members, coaches and other observers promise to participate in all events associated with the National High School Mock Trial Championship in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with the highest standards of professionalism and deportment, showing respect for their fellow team members, opponents, coaches, judging panel volunteers, competition staff, host committee volunteers and courthouse and hotel personnel.
- 4. Displays of bad sportsmanship at any time during the Championship, including at the Awards Banquet and Dance, are prohibited. Whether winning or losing, team members, coaches and all other participants are expected to be gracious and supportive of other teams.
- 5. No Official Team Member, Coach or other observer associated with the team signing this Code is allowed to enter any courtroom in which his/her team is not competing.
- 6. The National High School Mock Trial Championship is designed for teams who comport themselves as professionals in and out of the courtroom. Official Team Members, Coaches and other observers must follow appropriate courtroom and courthouse decorum at all times, both inside and outside the courtroom.
- 7. It is expected that at the courthouse, the hotel and all event venues that teams and their individual members will respect their surroundings (including while using transportation options provided by the host committee), will follow all published courthouse regulations, will use appropriate receptacles for all trash, will leave restrooms and all other court and common areas of the hotel in good order and will otherwise behave as young professionals.

I have read and understand the statements above and I will comply with the Rules of the Competition and this Code of Ethical Conduct throughout the duration of the 2010 National High School Mock Trial Championship. We understand that a violation of this Code by any one of the members of this team may result in sanctions including, but not limited to, the team's immediate eviction from the Championship and forfeiture of all fees and awards (if applicable).

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<sup>\*</sup>If a 9<sup>th</sup> student serving in the role of an official timekeeper is designated on this team's registration form, that student must sign this Code of Ethical Conduct form. Thank you.