

Specialized Moot Court Programs



What is Moot Court?

- A simulated court proceeding based on a fictional case
- Includes a written component (usually a brief) and oral arguments
- Usually a collaborative effort with a partner or team
- All 1Ls at Columbia participate in one moot court:
 - Foundation Moot Court - takes place in the Spring as part of Legal Practice Workshop II
 - Specialized Moot Court

What Makes a Specialized Moot Court Unique?

- Focused on a particular theme or area of law
- External competitions against other law schools
- Different timeline: writing begins in the Fall or Winter, and competitions take place in Spring Semester
- Emphasis on community building

Nine Specialized Moot Court Programs

Domestic:

- American Intellectual Property Law Association Moot Court
- Environmental Law Moot Court
- Frederick Douglass Moot Court
- Latinx Law Students Association Asylum & Refugee Moot Court
- Native American Law Students Association Moot Court
- Gender & Sexuality Moot Court

International:

- European Law Moot Court
- Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court
- Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot

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- Commercial Arbitration to resolve business disputes: Contract Law, International Law (Ex: United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods, London Court of International Arbitration rules)
- Two-Year Commitment: 1Ls write both claimant and respondent briefs, 2Ls compete in the oral advocacy component of the moot
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American Intellectual Property Law Association Mock Court



- Intellectual property law (patents, copyrights, trademarks) with a focus on patents in recent years. Problems have involved constitutional law, administrative law, statutory interpretation, and more.
- Two teams chosen at an internal competition in October participate in the regional competition in March (California) and possibly the national competition in April (DC).
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Why Join?

- Explore Intellectual Property Law
- Develop Oral Advocacy Skills
- Sharper Brief Writing Skills (and have a great writing sample!)
- Travel
- Friendship



Application Requirements

- Resume + Personal Statement (500 word max) + Multiple Choice Question
- 3-minute Oral Argument Tryout on a topic of YOUR choice!
(not scary, we promise)

Important Application Dates

Sept. 17	Application opens
Sept. 24 @ 11:59pm	Application closes
Sept. 26 and 27	AIPLA Oral Argument Tryouts (3 minutes)
Oct 1 @ 12 pm EST	Rankings close
TBD	Teams announced (at least 12 members)
TBD	Internal Competition for AIPLA students (4 members)

External Team Timeline

November/December	Problem released
Winter Break	Research and write first draft
January/early February	Finish briefs
February/March	Oral Argument Practice
March	Regionals
April	Nationals

External TeamTravel

- Regionals → California (March)



- Nationals → D.C. (April)



Environmental Law Moot Court



- Environmental problems involving diverse areas of the law: constitutional law, international law, property, torts, and administrative law
- Two Ways to Participate: National Competition Team or Internal Team
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Why Enviro Moot?

Bc we hate pollute....ers



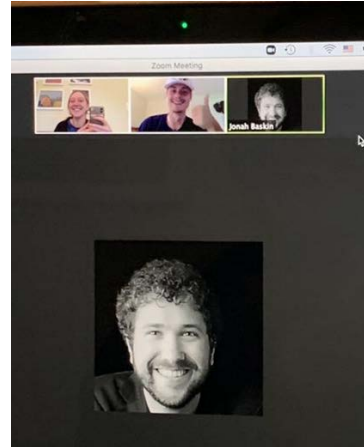
Why the Environmental Moot Court?

- Only program to select the competition and internal teams upfront
 - Know your responsibilities and schedule
 - No internal competition to select who competes
- “Environmental” covers a variety of legal subjects
 - Administrative, Constitutional, Property, Statutory, etc.
- Opportunity to engage with environmental legal issues during 1L year

Why Enviro Moot?

For competition team:

- History of success
- Only 1L team at the competition
- One-on-one training and mentoring with 2Ls



Why Enviro Moot?

For internal team:

- Same environmental problem as competition team without the external competition pressures
- Mentored by a prominent environmental lawyer
- No deliverables due in the fall!

Application Process

Competition Team

- Submit Written Application on LawNet by 9/24
 - Statement of interest
 - Legal writing problem
- Sign up for oral tryouts held 9/25-9/31

Internal Team

- Submit Written Application on LawNet on 9/24
 - Statement of interest
- Sign up for interview held 9/25-9/31

Application Components

1. Written Application

- Resume
- Statement of Interest

Only Competition Team

- Written Response to Legal Question

Application Components

2. Oral Tryouts/Interview

Competition Team

- Prepare a 5-min oral argument
- Chat with us about your interests
- Ask any remaining questions

Internal Team

- Chat with us about your interests
- Ask any remaining questions

Total 15 mins

Note

Applicants who go complete the application process for the competition team, even if they prefer the internal team, are prioritized over applicants who only complete the internal team.

- You can (and are encouraged to) submit both applications and rank them according to your preference. If you only want to be on the internal team, apply to both and rank the internal team higher!

Please note that **NO PRIOR ORAL ADVOCACY OR LEGAL EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED!**

Timeline for the Competition Team

October 5	Problem released
November 21	Written brief due
Week Before Spring Semester Starts (or President's Day)	Moot Camp
February 23-26	National Competition

Mootcamp

- Will either overlap with your Legal Methods II class or be over MLK weekend.
- **TBD** based on a conversation with the members and their preferences

Timeline for the Internal Team

Mid-March	Written brief due
Early April	Oral arguments

Questions? Wanna talk more?

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Frederick Douglass Moot Court



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competition

What is Frederick Douglass Moot Court?

The Thurgood Marshall Moot Court, also known as Frederick Douglass (and affectionately known as Fred Doug) is a specialized Moot Court that focuses primarily on constitutional and civil rights law, along with topics of particular relevance to marginalized communities. Competitors, in teams of two, must submit appellate briefs during the fall semester and participate in a minimum of three oral argument rounds at Regionals in the spring semester.

Fred Doug is informally hosted by the Black Law Students' Association at CLS and you **MUST become a dues paying BLSA member and complete community service to participate** in this moot court.



What are examples of brief issues?

- Whether a defective complaint due to a plaintiff's failure to comply with the exhaustion requirement found under Title 42 U.S.C § 1997e, a provision in the Prison Litigation Reform Act of 1995, may be cured by filing an amended complaint after his or her release from prison.
- Whether a state inflicts cruel and unusual punishment in violation of the Eighth Amendment by declining to provide gender confirmation surgery to a transgender inmate.

Why Should I Try Out for Fred Doug?

Each team will write brief as either Petitioner or Respondent

All teams argue both sides at competition

One-week Oral Advocacy Boot Camp to prepare for rounds

Close collaboration with upper-year law students

A legacy of success



How is Frederick Douglass Moot Court structured?

Brief Writing Timeline:

Early October – Competition Packets and Problems Released

Mid-October – Brief Writing Process including:

- Brief Writing Workshop
- Tailored Research Tips with Lexis Rep
- Bibliography Deadline
- Swapping argument drafts with partner

Last week of October – First Draft Argument of Brief Due

Late Nov. (before Thanksgiving) – Briefs Due

Oral Advocacy Timeline:

January 3rd – 7th 2022 – Boot Camp

January 26th–30th – Regional Competition

Early March 2022 – National Competition

What is in the application? What are we looking for?

Written Application (due Friday, Sept. 24th at 8:00 PM)

- 1) Reflections on a SCOTUS opinion (~350 words)
- 2) Statement of Interest in Fred Doug (~250 words)
- 3) Reflection on a social problem of interest (~50 words)

Oral Tryouts (Saturday, Sept. 25th – Thursday, Sept. 30th)

- 1) Sign up on LawNet
- 2) Three-minute speech on a topic of your choosing
- 3) Make an argument; emphasize your point of view
- 4) Be prepared for Q&A

What does the time commitment look like?

Fall

- Post-selection intro meeting
- Five hours of general brief-writing training
- Weekly optional study halls to get to know your teammates and staff
- October deadlines: case bibliography and outline
- November deadlines: argument section draft, complete brief draft, and final brief

Spring

- January 3–7: Oral Argument Boot Camp
 - Skills trainings
 - Issue meetings
 - Roadmap drafting
 - Practice rounds
- Late January: Regionals
- Early March TBA: Nationals

What Will I Gain from Joining Fred Doug Moot Court?

You will:

- Develop unparalleled legal research & writing skills
- Sharpen oral advocacy skills (critical thinking on the fly)
- Gain a deep understanding of a legal issue
- Create a strong writing sample
- Build lasting friendships
- Become a part of a forever community



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LaLSA Asylum & Refugee Moot Court



- Cutting-edge asylum and refugee law topics that have touched on administrative law, international law, and constitutional law.
- Everyone competes in January at our internal competition. The top two teams will compete at the UC Davis National Competition on March 5-6th in California.
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WHAT IS THE LALSA MOOT COURT

The LaLSA Moot Court is:

- Focused on Immigration Law (specifically, Asylum & Refugee Law)!
- Made up of collaborative, supportive, and talented CLS students!
 - CLS has won the UC Davis national competition for the past four years (2018-2021)
- A great opportunity to learn the ins and outs of legal writing and oral advocacy!
- Fun and rewarding!

PREVIOUS MOOT COURT TEAMS



WHO IS THE LALSA MOOT COURT

- 16 ILs, selected based on written application, oral arguments, and a brief interview
- 4 Coaches: Catie, Cristine, Gabi, and Nico
- 3 Editors: Ashley, Maddie, and Valeria

SCHEDULE

- October–November: Weekly Legal Writing & Oral Argument Workshops
- Mid-December–Early January: Brief Writing
- First Week of January: Boot Camp
- Second Week of January: Brief Editing Days
- Late January: Internal Competition
- March 5-6: UC Davis National Competition (top two teams from internals)

SAMPLE TOPICS

- Mashi Canto (2021)
 - Background: Young man persecuted for his ethnicity
 - Issue 1: Well-Founded Fear (Disfavored Group, and Pattern or Practice)
 - Issue 2: Collateral Attack & Due Process
- Carolina Abel (2020)
 - Background: Young women persecuted for her membership in a religious group
 - Issue 1: Well-Founded Fear
 - Issue 2: Chevron Deference
- Leila Marcos (2019)
 - Background: Young woman persecuted for her status as an ethnic Isda-Timog woman
 - Issue 1: Disfavored Group Analysis Circuit Split
 - Issue 2: Future Persecution Burden Shift
- Yusuf Badr (2018)
 - Background: Young man persecuted by rebel group for his political opinion
 - Issue 1: Nexus
 - Issue 2: Timeliness of Application

APPLICATION PROCESS

- September 24: Statement of Interest in LaLSA Moot Court Due on LawNet
- September 25-29: Tryouts (Oral Argument & Brief Interview)
- October 1, 2021: Student Moot Court Rankings Due on LawNet
- October 1-3: Acceptance Announcements

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NALSA Moot Court



- The problems combine federal Indian law and other areas of law. Past problems have involved constitutional, administrative, environmental, and criminal law.
- Competitors will write their briefs over winter break, and the competition will take place on February 26-27, 2022.
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What is NALSA Moot Court?

- This national moot court competition focuses on federal Indian law, and is run by the National Native American Law Students Association.
 - Recently litigated topics include the right to counsel in tribal courts, marijuana legalization, child custody under the Indian Child Welfare Act, casino gambling regulations, and the status of reservation boundaries.
 - Interdisciplinary and dynamic field of law with huge implications → moot court competitors get to explore evolving areas of law in real time.
- During the oral competition last year, Columbia teams placed second, third, and fourth in the overall competition. Columbia students also won best spoken advocate and best written advocate awards.



Key Points

- The NALSA Moot Court is open to **EVERYONE**. You do not have to be Native American, and you do not have to have any prior experience in federal Indian law to apply.
- The competition this year will be hosted by the University of Colorado Boulder.
 - It is (as of now) scheduled to take place in person
 - 4 teams (8 students) will compete in the national competition, and 4 teams will compete in a separate internal competition. **All** team members will have the same timeline of brief writing and will practice oral arguments together.



Application Components/Process

- The application consists of a closed-universe writing exercise
 - “Closed universe” means that your written submission should not go beyond the excerpts/cases given to you in the prompt. It should also not exceed 500 words—we just want to get a sense of your writing/ analytical style!
- Instead of oral arguments, NALSA invites candidates to interview with members of the board.
 - These are very casual—we want to get to know you, give you a chance to explain your approach to the written prompt, and discuss your interests and goals for moot court.



Timeline

- September 24 → Application due
- September 25 → Interviews Scheduled
- September 27-30 → Interviews
- October → Partner pairings
- November → Problem published on the NNALSA website

Usually, teams opt to write their briefs over winter break

- Early January → Briefs due
- January–February → Oral argument practices (2x per week), Bootcamp
- February 26-27, 2022 → Participate in the national competition hosted by UC Boulder



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The Columbia Gender and Sexuality Moot Court



- Focus on issues facing the LGBTQ+ community; past problems involved topics such as employment discrimination, conversation therapy, transgender and nonbinary student rights.
- Two teams are chosen via a fall “mini-moot” practice argument for external competition.
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WHAT IS THE COLUMBIA GENDER AND SEXUALITY MOOT COURT?

The Columbia Gender and Sexuality Moot Court offers students an unparalleled opportunity to build appellate advocacy skills on constitutional issues related to gender identity and sexual orientation. Previous legal topics have included a Title IX challenge to a school policy restricting students to restrooms based on biological sex, an affirmative action program based on sexual orientation in government contracting, discrimination based on religious beliefs, an equal protection and Title IX challenge to gendered dress codes, and the rights of transgender people in prisons.



The Columbia Gender and Sexuality Moot Court was previously known as the Williams Institute Moot Court.

In 2020 and 2021, the Williams Institute canceled the formal competition due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are currently awaiting updates for the 2022 competition; Williams' ability to hold a competition will be determined by UCLA's policy regarding outside visitors to campus. In 2021, Columbia created its own version of the Williams competition with participating schools from throughout New York state. If the formal 2022 Williams competition is canceled, we anticipate being able to offer an external competition similar to the one held in 2021.



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WHY SHOULD I
JOIN THE
COLUMBIA
GENDER AND
SEXUALITY MOOT
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To Build Appellate and Oral
Advocacy Skills

To Learn and Apply Gender
Identity and Sexuality Law

To Join our Friendly and
Supportive Community

To Follow our Accommodating
Specialized Moot Schedule

RESPONSIBILITIES

EXTERNAL TEAM

- Participate in the program-wide mini moot
- Write an appellate brief with your partner during the Spring Semester
- Attend Moot Camp (potentially)
- Participate in oral argument practices 2-3 times a week during the month of February
- Compete in the external Moot Court competition with other schools in March
- Revise your brief in conjunction with the Legal Practice Workshop II class, instructor, and TAs

INTERNAL TEAM

- Participate in the program-wide mini moot
- Write an appellate brief with your partner during the Spring Semester
- Attend Moot Camp (potentially)
- Participate in oral argument practices throughout the Spring Semester (fewer, more optional)
- Compete in the Columbia internal competition in Late March/Early April
- Revise your brief in conjunction with the Legal Practice Workshop II class, instructor, and TAs

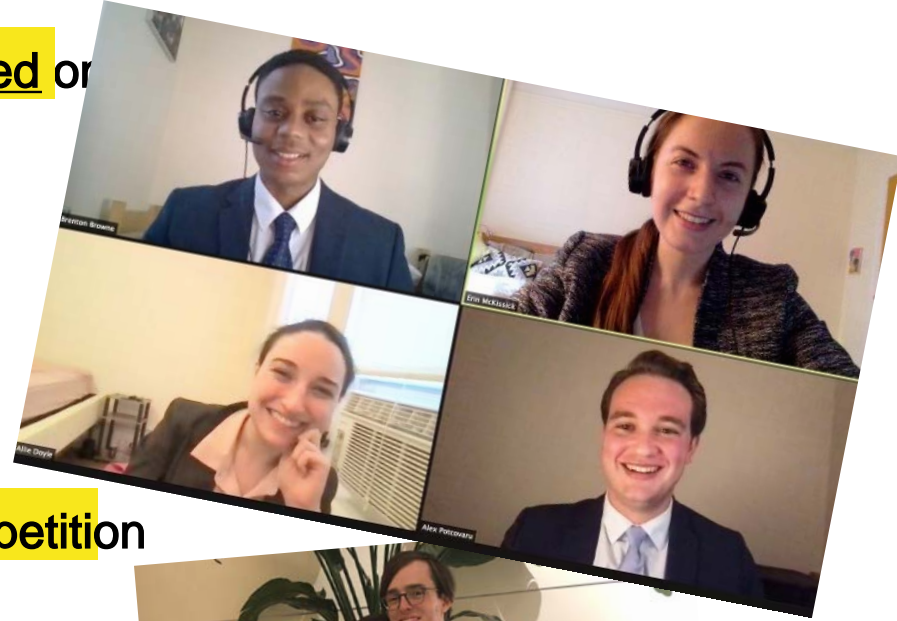
APPLICATION PROCESS

We will select students for the program based on

- 250-word statement of interest
- Legal writing prompt
- 5-minute oral argument
- Resume

We will select students for the external competition based on

- October mini-moot (in which all 12 Williams participants will compete)



KEY DATES

Written Application Due: Friday, September 24th at 8pm

Oral Tryouts: Sunday, September 26th from 12pm- 3pm (or by request)

Decisions Released: Mean Girls Day (October 3rd)

Internal/External Teams Decided (Mini Moot): October

Problem Released: December/January

Moot Camp : January (potentially)

Briefs Completed: February/March

Competition : March

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European Law Moot Court



- European law problems covering potentially any area of law.
- The two teams will each submit their Applicant & Defendant briefs later this year and may travel to Europe to argue orally early next year.
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What is ELMC?

- Largest moot court program in the world that focuses on European Union law
- Case focuses on important issues that pertain to current events
- Last year's case focused on two branches of law: EU Competition Law and Refugee/Asylum Law
- This year's fact pattern includes elements of competition law, free movement, and employment agreements.



The Competition

- The competition consists of two rounds:
 - Written briefs from ~100 teams are submitted by November 25th.
 - The top 48 teams are then invited to compete in four regional rounds in cities around Europe by the end of February.
- The top team from each regional round then has the opportunity to compete in front of the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg in April.



Why ELMC?

- Interest in international law
- Exposure to different legal systems & topical issues
- Potential for advocacy/oral presentation in French (though not necessary)
- Opportunity to gain exposure to European law in Europe (previous years' teams have competed in Florence, Athens, Edinburgh)
- Columbia is one of only a handful of American law schools to compete against teams predominantly from Europe



Timeline & Time Commitment

- **Fall Semester (Oct–Nov):** Research & Writing the Brief
 - November 25th: Written submissions are due
 - This means you will be done well in advance of final exams
- **Spring Semester (Jan–Feb):** Oral Advocacy & Regional Finals in Europe
 - No winter break commitment
 - Focus on developing oral advocacy & presentations for competition, in conjunction with Spring LPW Class
- Because of ELMC's accelerated timeline, the time commitment can be high (up to 15 hours per week), but your hard work will pay off!

Applications

- We are looking for 6–8 people to compete on Columbia's two ELMC teams.
- Round 1 (due Sept. 24): Resume, short statement of interest (half a page, single-spaced), writing sample (2–3 pages on any topic).
- Round 2 (Sept. 25 - 30): Selected applicants will conduct short oral tryouts.
- These tryouts are low-stress & mistakes are completely okay — we just want to get a sense of your speaking style!

Applications (cont.)

- You should apply for ELMC if you:
 - Are interested in European or international legal issues
 - Want to get exposure to another legal system
 - Want to get an international perspective on oral advocacy
- French skills are a plus, but are **by no means necessary** to join ELMC!





ELMC Community

Jessup International Law Moot Court Information Session 2021-2022



Jessup Overview

- **World's largest moot court competition**—more than 650 law schools representing more than 100 countries
- Simulation of a fictional dispute between countries before the **International Court of Justice**, the judicial organ of the United Nations
- Maximum of **five members** compete on each team
- Teams **prepare written briefs** arguing both the applicant and respondent positions of the case
- Teams prepare for and **present oral arguments** at the regional and international levels of competition
- Columbia Jessup is a **two-year commitment for 1Ls & 2Ls**

Jessup 2020-2021 Topics

1. International Health Law
2. Political Asylum and Consular Law
3. Jurisdiction of the ICJ
4. International Aviation Law and State Responsibility

Jessup 2021-2022 Topics

1. Human Rights on the Internet
2. Data Theft
3. Territorial Secession
4. Foreign Election Interference

The Columbia Jessup Program

- **Fall Semester**

- Introduction to International Law
- Introduction to the Jessup Competition
- Introduction to Mooting
- Regular issue research sessions and finishing a first draft of memorials
- Freeze on 1L Fall Jessup work before exams
- Course, outlining, and exam-prep support from Coaches and Alums

- **Memorial Writing**

- Team re-convenes on January 3, 2022 to complete written submissions
- Introduction to Jessup Style and Jessup brief-crafting

- **Spring Semester**

- International Law LPW (1Ls)
- Internal Practice Moots with Alums and Faculty
- External Practice Moots (*Previous Hosts*: Gibson Dunn, Debevoise, Shearman & Sterling, King & Spalding, Human Rights Watch; US 2nd Circuit, S.D.N.Y., Zoom)
- Regional and International Competitions

Jessup Accomplishments

Team Accomplishments

- **World Champions:** 1963 (founding year), 1965, 2006
- **International Runners-Up:** 2010, 2011, 2012, 2019
- **International Semi-Finalists:** 2013, 2014, 2016
- **Best Overall Applicant or Respondent Side** (International Rounds): 2011, 2012, 2013, 2018
- **Regional Champions (last ~10 years):** 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
- **U.S. National Champions:** 2021
- **Hardy C. Dillard Award for Best Combined Memorials** (Regional Rounds): Multiple
- **Richard R. Baxter Award for Best Memorials** (International Rounds): 2016 (x2)
- **Alona E. Evans Award for Best Memorial** (International Rounds): Multiple

Individual Accomplishments

- **Stephen M. Schwebel Best Oralist Award** (International Championship Round): Multiple
- **Top Oralist** (Regional): Multiple
- **Top 10 Oralist** (International): Multiple, including Akshaya Kumar '12, Evan Ezray '14, Carolyn Forstein '15, Will Mattessich '16, Henry Ross '17, Phil Andriole '19, Andrew Connery '20, Daniel Fahrenthold '20, Grace Pyo '22, Emily Drake '22

Individual Columbia Honors (last 10 years)

- **David M. Berger Memorial Prize for excellence in international law** – Vincent Levy '07, Suyash Paliwal '10, Jacob Johnston '12, Jen Lim '12, Aidan Grano '13, Evan Ezray '14, Katelyn Horne '15, Katherine Ebright '18, Anika Havaladar '19, Daniel Fahrenthold '20, Sara Kaufhardt '21
- **Archie O. Dawson Prize for proficiency in advocacy** – Jacob Johnston '12, Aidan Grano '13, Evan Ezray '14, Henry Ross '16
- **John Ordronaux Prize for top GPA at graduation** – Vincent Levy '07, Seth Davis '08
- **Ruth Bader Ginsburg Prize (James Kent Honors 1L, 2L, and 3L)** – Vince Levy '07, Seth Davis '08, Katherine Ebright '18, Eve Levin '18, Andrew Connery '20, Daniel Fahrenthold '20

Selected Jessup Alumni Network

- **Arnold & Porter (DC)** – Katelyn Horne '15
- **Boies Schiller & Flexner (NY)** – Eve Levin '18
- **Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton (NY, Paris)** – Jacob Johnston '12, Daniel Fahrenthold '20
- **Covington & Burling (DC)** – Benjamin Schrier '12, Anika Havaladar '19, Grace Pyo '22
- **Cravath, Swaine & Moore (NY)** – Evan Ezray '14, Andrew Connery '20
- **Davis Polk & Wardell** – Phil Andriole '19
- **Debevoise & Plimpton (HK, NY)** – Jen Lim '12, Will Mattessich '16, Sara Kaufhardt '21
- **Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer (NY)** – Carolyn Forstein '15
- **Foley Hoag LLP (DC)** – Sara Kaufhardt '21
- **Gibson Dunn & Crutcher (DC)** – Aidan Grano '13
- **Human Rights Watch (NY)** – Akshaya Kumar '12
- **Jenner & Block (DC)** – Jan Messerschmidt '14
- **Munger, Tolles & Olson (LA)** – Benjamin Schrier '12
- **Paul, Weiss (NY)** – Victoria Gilcrease-Garcia '16
- **Polsinelli (KC)** – Libby Marden '17
- **Pryor Cashman LLP (NY)** – Alexandra Nasar '20
- **Sullivan & Cromwell (NY)** – Henry Ross '17, Harshil Bansal '22
- **U.S. Department of State (DC)** – Daniel Fahrenthold '20
- **Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz** – Vincent Levy '07
- **WilmerHale (DC)** – Katherine Ebright '18

Jessup Alumni Clerkships

- **International Court of Justice** – Jennifer Lim '12, Katelyn Horne '15, Anika Havalдар '19, Sara Kaufhardt '21
- **Iran-United States Claims Tribunal** – Ricardo Chirinos '12
- **Constitutional Court of South Africa** – Carolyn Forstein '15
- **U.S. Supreme Court, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg** – Vincent Levy '07
- **U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit** – Matthew Gurgel '09, Jacob Johnston '12, Ben Schrier '12, Aidan Grano '13, Jan Messerschmidt '14, Katherine Ebright '18, Daniel Fahrenthold '20, Grace Pyo '22
- **U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit** – Evan Ezray '14
- **U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit** – Vincent Levy '07, Seth Davis '08, Eve Levin '18, Anika Havalдар '19
- **U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York** – Ben Schrier '12, Henry Ross '17, Eve Levin '18, Katherine Ebright '18, Andrew Connery '20
- **U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York** – Evan Ezray '14
- **U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California** – Victoria Gilcrease-Garcia '16
- **U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia** – Jan Messerschmidt '14, Grace Pyo '22
- **U.S. Court of International Trade** – James Wigginton '13

Important Dates 2021-2022

- **Friday, Sept. 24, 2021 @ 8:00 p.m. ET:** Written Application due via LawNet
- **Sept. 27 to 30, 2021:** Oral Tryouts
- **Oct. 1-3, 2021:** Candidates Notified of Decision
- **Nov. 26, 2021:** Freeze on 1L Fall Jessup Work
- **Jan. 3, 2022:** Re-convene for Memorial Writing
- **Jan. 12, 2022:** Deadline for Written Submission
- **Mid/Late Feb. 2022:** Regional Competition
- **Late Feb./Early March:** National Competition
- **March/April:** International Competition

Application Instructions

- **Review fully** the application packet
- Provide a written submission of **no more than four pages** arguing **one side of the issue presented**
- Submit your application materials – a **resume** and your **written submission** – to LawNet, in conformity with the instructions in the application packet
- If invited back, prepare a **ten-minute oral argument** for the **opposite side of the issue** your brief supported
- Conduct the oral argument in front of a panel of judges with occasional **interruptions for questions**
- Plan for a **five-to-ten minute Q&A** after the argument