Syracuse University
College of Law
Syracuse National Trial Competition

DATES TO REMEMBER
SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021: After the new fact pattern is released, each team must send an email to the Competition Director, Joanne Van Dyke, at Mjvesq@aol.com, advising that the team received the fact pattern. This communication should be sent on SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 or within 2 days of receipt of the email, whichever is the later.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2021: No later than MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021, at 6:00 PM EST, all questions concerning the fact pattern and/or requests for clarifications of the rules must be sent to Mjvesq@aol.com. Questions after that period will not be accepted. A reply will be sent to the teams on or about Monday, October 4, 2021.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2021: No later than MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021, at 6:00 PM EST, each team must provide the Competition Director with the name, cell number, email address, and shirt size of each team member and the head coach or coaches.

SEPTEMBER 27, 2021: No later than MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021, at 6:00 PM EST, each team must advise the Competition Director of the student's roles, for example, if the student is an advocate for Prosecution, Defense or both, what witness they play, and if the student opens or close, and which witnesses they direct or cross examine.

SEPTEMBER 27, 2021: You will be provided with Notices of Appearance by separate email. Please fill out the Notices of Appearance, and return them to us. No later than MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021, at 6:00 PM EST, each team must send the Competition Director your team's Notices of Appearance, which will be provided to the judge/evaluators prior to each round. Teams must use the form Notices of Appearance that will be provided to you.

OCTOBER 4, 2021: Fact Pattern Clarifications will be sent to the teams on or about Monday, October 4, 2021.

OCTOBER 13, 2021: A mandatory coaches meeting will be held via zoom, which is tentatively scheduled to take place on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021, AT 7:00 PM EST. If you cannot attend, please advise & we will send you a video of the meeting. At the meeting, you will be advised of the Match-Ups for Preliminary Rounds and Virtual Courtroom Assignments.

OCTOBER 14, 2021: Round 1 will take place on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021, at 6:00 PM EST. 45 minutes before the round, the advocates must share PowerPoint/Exhibits with opposing counsel(outside of Zoom courtroom), and 15 minutes before the round, the advocates must attend the Meet and Confer Session (outside of Zoom courtroom). See SNTC Rules for details.

OCTOBER 15, 2021: Round 2 will take place on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2021, at 6:00 PM EST. 45 minutes before the round, the advocates must share PowerPoint/Exhibits with opposing counsel(outside of Zoom courtroom), and 15 minutes before the round, the advocates must attend the Meet and Confer Session (outside of Zoom courtroom). See SNTC Rules for details.

OCTOBER 16, 2021: Round 3 will take place on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021, at 11:00 AM EST. 45 minutes before the round, the advocates must share PowerPoint/Exhibits with opposing counsel(outside of Zoom courtroom), and 15 minutes before the round, the advocates must attend the Meet and Confer Session (outside of Zoom courtroom).

OCTOBER 16, 2021: Round 4 will take place on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021, at 4:00 PM EST. 45 minutes before the round, the advocates must share PowerPoint/Exhibits with opposing counsel(outside of Zoom courtroom), and 15 minutes before the round, the advocates must attend the Meet and Confer Session (outside of Zoom courtroom). See SNTC Rules for details.

OCTOBER 16, 2021: There will be a Zoom Social Event on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021, at 9:00 PM EST. We will announce winners of Advocacy Awards for Preliminary Rounds, announcement the Semi Finalists & round match-ups, as well as the Virtual Courtroom Assignments for the Semi Finals.

OCTOBER 17, 2020: The Semi-Finals will take place on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021, at 11:00 AM EST. 45 minutes before the round, the advocates must share PowerPoint/Exhibits with opposing counsel(outside of Zoom courtroom), and 15 minutes before the round, the advocates must attend the Meet and Confer Session (outside of Zoom courtroom).

OCTOBER 17, 2020: On SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021, at 3:00 PM EST, we will announce the Finalist teams, as well as the Virtual Courtroom Assignments for the Finals.

OCTOBER 17, 2020: The Championship Round will take place on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021, at 4:00 AM EST. 45 minutes before the round, the advocates must share PowerPoint/Exhibits with opposing counsel(outside of Zoom courtroom), and 15 minutes before the round, the advocates must attend the Meet and Confer Session (outside of Zoom courtroom). The SNTC Championship team will be announced at the conclusion of the round, as well as the winner of the Best Advocate Award.