



## **Call for Proposals to Host the 2021 National Championship Tournament**

**DEADLINE: July 1, 2019**

The American Mock Trial Association is receiving proposals from those interested in hosting the 2021 National Championship Tournament. We realize that 2021 is a long time from now. We are asking for proposals so far in advance to give the host whom we select sufficient time to make the tournament a very special event -- one that is "the Super Bowl" of intercollegiate mock trial.

Please take note that the NCT currently includes a field of 48 teams competing in two 24-team divisions. If AMTA continues to experience significant growth, the Board may expand the size of the field beyond the current 48 team limit. For example, the 2021 tournament might include a field of 52 teams (competing in two 26-team divisions) or 56 teams (competing in 28-team divisions). Your proposal should make it clear whether or not you are able to host a 56-team field. Further, your proposal should include at least the following information:

- I. A cover letter from you as the primary contact person indicating a desire to host the tournament.
- II. A preferred date for the event and alternative dates that might be available to you (please be mindful of religious holidays).
- III. The location of the tournament and a description of the facilities. (i.e., is it an on-campus event, at a law school, at a courthouse, or some combination of the aforementioned kinds of facilities). You are encouraged to include pictures of the buildings that you plan to use. In addition, you should include photographs of representative examples of the courtrooms that you will use.
- IV. Please provide preliminary assurance from a courthouse administrator, the law school dean, and/or on-campus administrator, that the facilities you intend to use will be available for the tournament, and that you are authorized to use them.
- V. Include a statement regarding the availability of hotels and restaurants surrounding the tournament location. If you anticipate designating tournament hotel(s), you are welcome and encouraged to include pictures of the facility, along with expected nightly rates.

- VI. Provide information regarding the availability of transportation in-and-out of your community and in-and-out of the tournament site. Specifically, we would like to know about air transportation. What is the nearest airport(s)? What carriers serve that airport? Is there shuttle service to-and-from the airport (particularly if the closest airport is some distance away)?
- VII. Absolutely critical: You must include a statement about how you plan to meet the need for judges (e.g., the number of attorneys in your region, and how you plan to recruit them).
- VIII. Please provide an indication of any support you expect to receive from your institution, financial or otherwise; or, if appropriate, are there any outside entities whom you believe will support the tournament. It would also be helpful to include a letter of support from your department chair, academic dean, provost, or president indicating that they intend to commit resources from the institution toward the National Championship Tournament.
- IX. A resume of your personal and school experience in hosting invitational, regional, or national tournaments -- ORCS or previous National Championship Tournaments. Endorsements and testimonials are certainly welcome.

Please submit the proposal via e-mail to:

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The deadline for submissions is July 1, 2019. The Tournament Administration Committee may contact you after that date to request additional information, but we're asking those who are interesting in hosting this event to make every effort to submit their proposals by the deadline listed above.