

THE JEFFREY G. MILLER NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW **MOOT COURT COMPETITION**

February 20-22, 2025



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NELMCC Office 78 N. Broadway, P218 Final Round February 22, 2025 @ 1:30PM White Plains, NY10603

REGISTRATION

- Register online at www.law.pace/nelmcc
- Deadline: October 2, 2024
- Nonrefundable fee: \$1,195.00 Payable by Credit card on Eventbrite Link.. Checks are accepted mail check to Haub School of Law-NELMCC; mail to NELMCC office with copy of registration confirmation email
- Includes light breakfasts, lunches and receptions during the competition for team members and one coach; other expenses not covered
- Open to 51 teams; teams accepted on a firstcome, first-served basis.
- Registrations received after deadline are considered at the discretion of the NELMCC Board

TEAMS

- One team allowed per school
- Team must be constituted and form completed by October 26, 2024. Team comprised of two or three law students (see Rule III (A)) Competition is online.
- Team registration Form can be found on the NELMCC website: law.pace.edu/NELMCC
- Teams are responsible for travel, accommodations and other expenses except as noted above

OFFICIAL RULES

Rules are posted on the NELMCC website

COMMUNICATION

- Official correspondence will be directed ONLY to the one person listed as the team contact on registration form
- Team contact is responsible to distribute all official correspondence to each team member.
- LOCATION
- White Plains, NY. This competition is easily accessible to NYC and major airports; a convenient 45-minute train ride to Grand Central Station on Metro North Railroad.

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Teams are responsible for accommodations and must book directly with the hotel
- _ Discounted room block is provided at the Sonesta Hotel in White Plains, New York
- _ Sonesta Hotel reservation DEADLINE: February 1, 2025.
- Detailed reservation information will be -Provided to all registrants
- Haub Law will furnish shuttle service between hotel and campus

PROBLEM

- Problem to be released by email on or about October 2, 2024 to one team contact ONLY.
- _ Q&A period—questions pertaining to problem are allowed only through the deadline of October 26, 2023 pursuant to Rule II (B)

BRIEFS

- Refer to Rule IV for detailed brief writing and submission instructions
- Each team will write a brief for one of three parties' legal positions of their choosing
- _ Briefs are graded by practicing environmental attorneys for content, legal analysis and accuracy
- Briefs are graded for correct Bluebook citation, spelling, punctuation and format
- Both Measuring Brief and Non-Measuring Brief must be emailed to nelmcc@law.pace.edu by Monday, Nov. 21, 2024, 11:59PM EST.
- A deduction will be applied to late brief submissions.

ORAL ROUNDS

- See Rule V for detailed instructions
- Oral arguments begin with two preliminary rounds on Thursday, February 20, 2025 are followed by the third preliminary & guarterfinal rounds on Friday, February 21. and conclude with the semifinal round on Saturday, February 22, 2025.

- Final round will take place Saturday, February 22 at 1:30PM, EST.
- Each argument features three adverse teams _
- Judges evaluating the oral rounds include regional attorneys with environmental law expertise, alumni and Haub Law faculty
- _ At least two, and in most courtrooms three, iudges will comprise a bench
- Competitors may not use laptops or other electronic devices, including but not limited to iPads, cell phones, & smart watches in the courtroom.
- Scoring in the preliminary rounds is based on a combination of brief scores and scores from the oral arguments
- Scoring in the later rounds is based solely on oral performance

OBSERVING THE ORAL ARGUMENTS

- If space permits, One coach may observe in the courtroom. No written or oral communication may occur between coaches and team members during the oral arguments.
- 2-Point deductions will be made, if it is determined that interference has taken place by a coach, Professor, or any team supporter.

AWARDS

Winning Team Two Finalist Teams Best Brief Overall Best Briefs (remaining 2 parties) **Best Oralist** Best Oralist—Honorable Mention



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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

October 2, 2024	Registration deadline
October 2, 2024 (on or about)	Problem & Rules distribution by email to registered teams
October 26, 2024	Deadline for questions relevant to the Problem
October 26, 2024	Teams must be constituted by this date (see NELMCC Rule III (B)) Deadline for Team Member Confirmation Form online submission to NELMCC
November 20, 2024	Measuring and Non-Measuring briefs due. Emailed to Elisabeth Haub School of Law nelmcc@law.pace.edu by November 21, 2024 for posting on web in Fulfillment of Service on Opposing teams. See Rules for details
February 1, 2025	Sonesta Hotel reservation deadline
February 8, 2025	Confirm 1 coach attendee for competition, email, name and phone
February 21, 2025	Advance Check in at Hotel
February 20, 2025	Competition Check in at Elisabeth Haub School of Law
February 20, 2025	Preliminary Rounds I & II (Thursday)
February 21, 2025	Preliminary Rounds III & Quarterfinal Round (Friday)
February 22, 2025	Semifinal Round (Saturday morning)
February 22, 2025	Final Round — Saturday Afternoon, 1:30PM Gerber Glass Moot Courtroom