

**Summary of 2022-2023
High School Mock Trial Rule Changes**

- The Competition Committee voted to keep the ballot advancement rule in place. This rule only applies to advancement from Districts to Regionals. (*Competition Rule IV.b.iii on page 16*)
- We made a few changes to the pre-trial conference portion of the rules to reinforce that pre-trial should be student-led. (*Procedural Rule I.D.8 on page 27*)
- We shortened the amount of time Presiding Judges must wait on the bench for post-trial objections. Teams now have **two** minutes (instead of three) to present any post-trial objections. (*Procedural Rule I.D.16 on pages 31-32*)
- The calculation of Outstanding Attorney/Witness awards has changed. The presiding judge will identify the Outstanding Attorney and the scoring judges will identify the Outstanding Witness. (*Competition Rule VI.b on page 21*)
- Legal advisors are now permitted to work with multiple schools, provided they meet certain requirements. Mainly, all teams/schools involved must be aware of and agree to the arrangement. (*Competition Rule I.c.ii.2 on page 13*)
- Evidence Rule 607 has been removed to avoid confusion/conflict with Mock Trial rules.