

Middle School Mock Trial 2024

Elsewhere v. Jonas

Errata Sheet

Please note:

The errata sheet serves to clarify or correct errors in the Mock Trial case and/or rules, and does not address team strategy, coaching, or judging protocol. If a question received does not meet the criteria for errata (e.g., pertains to an evidence question), an email response will be sent to the individual advisor.

Errata 3/13/2024

- * A question was raised about The Giver being referred to as both The Receiver of Memory and the Former Receiver of Memory in the witness statements. For ease of use, the witness variously called ‘The Giver,’ ‘The Receiver of Memory,’ and ‘The Former Receiver of Memory,’ may be referred to by *any* of these titles. Teams may use the term they feel best fits their strategy but are encouraged to be consistent and prepared to clarify if needed.
- * The witness ‘Jonas’ may be referred to by name, as ‘Receiver in Training,’ or as ‘The Defendant.’

Errata 12/15/2023

- * A question was raised about the kidnapping statute included in the case materials. We have corrected the statute, added a new legal definition, and updated the Prosecution legal arguments accordingly. ***Please refer to the updated case file available on the restricted webpage (dated 12.15.23).***

Errata 11/02/2023

- 1. It would seem that Jonas should be prosecuted in The Community since both Jonas and Gabriel are citizens of The Community and Gabriel was taken from The Community. Why is Jonas being prosecuted in Elsewhere?**

Elsewhere and The Community have an agreement as to the prosecution of individuals under their jurisdictions. Because the alleged conduct related to child endangerment took place in Elsewhere, and Gabriel was transported across jurisdictional lines into Elsewhere, the courts in Elsewhere are bringing both charges. The Community has opted not to object to Elsewhere’s prosecution of Jonas.