



American Mock Trial Association
Call for Proposals to Host the 2028 National Championship Tournament

PRIORITY DEADLINE: July 1, 2026

The American Mock Trial Association is now receiving proposals from those interested in hosting the 2028 National Championship Tournament. We realize that 2028 is a long way off, but 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—this is, after all, the “Super Bowl” of intercollegiate mock trial.

Please note that the NCT currently includes a field of 48 teams competing in two 24-team divisions, but you may be required to field a total of 50 teams competing in one 24-team division and one 26-team division. Your proposal should make it clear whether or not you are able to host up to a 50-team field with three qualified judges per round. Further, your proposal should include at least the following information:

1. A cover letter from you as the primary contact person indicating a desire to host the tournament.
2. A preferred date for the event, to be held in April 2028, and alternative dates that may be available to you (please be mindful of religious holidays).
3. 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). 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.
4. Please provide preliminary assurances from a courthouse administrator, the law school dean, and/or an on-campus administrator. These assurances should state that the facilities you intend to use will be available for the tournament, and that you are authorized to use them.
5. 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/facilities, along with expected nightly rates.
6. Provide information regarding the availability of transportation in and out of your community and in and out of the tournament site. Please include details of air transportation and any other systems of mass transit (Amtrak stations, in-city public transit systems including trains and buses, etc.). Include details about air transportation, including the nearest airport(s), carriers that serve that airport, and shuttle service to and from the airport (especially if the closest airport is some distance away).
7. You **must** include a statement about how you plan to meet the need for judges, including the depth of the legal community in your region and how you plan to recruit judges. If you currently host an invitational or serve as an AMTA host, provide details of recent recruiting efforts and their results.
8. Please provide an indication of any support you expect to receive from your institution, financial

or otherwise; or, if appropriate, 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 towards the NCT.

9. A resume of your personal and school experience in hosting invitational, regional, ORCS, or previous NCTs. Endorsements and testimonials are certainly welcome.

Please submit your proposal via email to:

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The deadline for submissions is July 1, 2026. The Tournament Administration Committee may contact you after your submission to request additional information. The Tournament Administration Committee intends to present a recommended NCT 2028 site to the full board at the July 2026 board meeting in Toronto.