



Riverside County MOCK TRIAL Competition 2023



PROGRAM



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8 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
9 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

10 PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
11)
12 Plaintiff,)

13 vs.)

14 JORDAN FRANKS Defendant.)
_____)

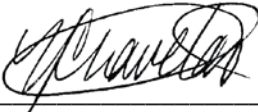
CASE NO. 2023/41
NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE
41ST ANNUAL
HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL
COMPETITION, and
SUPPORTING PROGRAM
INFORMATION
DATE: 1/26/2023, 1/31/2023, 2/7/2023,
2/11/2023, 2/16/2023, 2/21/2023,
2/23/2023

15 TO ALL PARTIES:

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17 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-referenced matter will be heard on the following dates January
18 26 at 6:00 p.m. (Regional Courts), January 31 at 6:00 p.m., February 7 at 6:00 p.m., February 11 at 9:00
19 a.m., February 16 at 6:00 p.m. (Robert Presley Hall of Justice). The Semi-Final Round will be held on
20 February 21 at 6:00 p.m. (Riverside County Historic Courthouse). The Final Round (to determine the First
and Second Place teams) will be held at the Riverside County Historic Courthouse, Department 1, at 6:00
p.m. on February 23, 2023.

21 Dated: January 2023

22 EDWIN GOMEZ, Ed.D.
Riverside County Superintendent of Schools

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24 By: 
Yadira Chavelas, Administrator

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26 By: 
28 Melissa Moore, Steering Committee Chair

Welcome

The Riverside County Mock Trial competition has grown dramatically since its inception in 1983. This year over 350 students from 20 high schools have entered the competition. During the last 41 years, over 15,000 students have experienced the lasting value of this program. Through the collaborative efforts of the co-sponsors, the Riverside County Office of Education, Riverside County Bar Association, and Riverside County Superior Court, this event has become a traditional celebration of student achievement.

The Riverside County Mock Trial program demonstrates a county-wide community effort that supports education and brings together parents, teachers, attorneys, judges, and community members to promote a greater appreciation and understanding for the law, court procedures, and the American judicial system. Thank you for joining us in our passion and responsibility for educating Riverside County students.

Mock Trial Overview

Mock Trial is a simulation of a criminal case, with students acting as each of the principals in the cast of courtroom characters. Mock Trial is designed to demonstrate the workings of our legal institutions for young people. The student teams study a hypothetical case, complete legal research, and are coached in courtroom procedure and trial preparation by teacher coaches and volunteer attorneys. Students participate as counsel, witnesses, and court clerks, presenting their cases in courtrooms before actual federal and state judicial officers who have volunteered their time.

Each Mock Trial team will compete in the actual court setting at least four (4) times until the final round, which will take place on Thursday, February 23, 2023.

The following schools are competing:

CORONA-NORCO USD

Santiago High School

DESERT SANDS USD

Indio High School
La Quinta High School
Palm Desert High School

HEMET USD

Hemet High School

JURUPA USD

Patriot High School

MORENO VALLEY USD

Valley View High School

MURRIETA VALLEY USD

Murrieta Valley High School

PALO VERDE USD

Palo Verde High School

PERRIS UNION HIGH SD

Heritage High School
Liberty High School
Paloma Valley High School

RIVERSIDE USD

John W. North High School
Martin Luther King High School
Ramona High School
Polytechnic High School

DIOCESE OF SAN BERNARDINO

Notre Dame High School

TEMECULA VALLEY USD

Chaparral High School
Great Oak High School
Temecula Valley High School

Awards Ceremony

Saturday, February 11, 2023

Awards Ceremony

2:30 p.m.

Remarks

Melissa Moore, Mock Trial Steering Committee Chairperson

Blue Ribbon Achievement Awards

Marcus Garrett, Awards Committee

Melissa Hale, Awards Committee

Outstanding Bailiff

Outstanding Clerk

Outstanding Defense Pre-Trial Motion Attorney

Outstanding Prosecution Pre-Trial Motion Attorney

Outstanding Prosecution Witness

Outstanding Defendant

Outstanding Defense Witness

Outstanding Prosecution Trial Attorney

Outstanding Defense Trial Attorney

Courtroom Artist

2023 Mock Trial Summer Internship Awards

Melissa Moore, Riverside County District Attorney

Steven Harmon, Riverside County Public Defender

Riverside County Bar Foundation's Honorable Douglas E. Weathers Scholarship

Steven Geeting

Announcement of Elite Eight Teams

Melissa Moore



Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Semi-Final Round

Riverside County Historic Courthouse

6:00 p.m.

Awards

Third Place Teams

Thursday, February 23, 2023

Final Round

Riverside County Historic Courthouse

6:00 p.m.

Championship Awards

Second Place Team

First Place Team

Riverside County Bar Association Award Presentation to Winning Team

Lori Myers, President, Riverside County Bar Association

Riverside County Office of Education Award Presentation to Winning Team

Edwin Gomez, Ed.D., Riverside County Superintendent of Schools

2023 Riverside County Mock Trial Teams

CORONA-NORCO USD

Santiago High School

Paulla Tilton, Lead Teacher Coach
Rawan Almahjan, Assistant Coach
Harold Anderson, Attorney Coach
Miko Aljumaah
Macie Anderson
Shreya Bozza
Ava DeMello
Matthew Depew
Renee Dunn
Ethan Huizar
Kendal Hutchinson
Zachery Kramer
Kirsten Lara
Cameron Lara
Alex Leary-Bright
Connor Lee
Timothy Lim
Alany Luna
Maggie Orellana
Fabio Andres Pabon Rizzo
Carson Schaffler
Devon Stewart
Yousif Subhi
Lorelei Tang
Alyssa Vasquez
Lia Vincent

DESERT SANDS USD

Indio High School

Martha Sung, Lead Teacher Coach
Francisco Jauregui, Teacher Coach
Stephanie Jauregui, Teacher Coach
Nicholas Kraushaar, Attorney Coach
Joel Mark, Attorney Coach
Miguel Romero, Attorney Coach
Isabella Sung, Attorney Coach
Gypsy Yeager, Attorney Coach
Angela Abril
Jacqueline Avila
Destiny Casas
Alyssa Chapa
Adylene Espinoza
Ethan Garcia
Pablo Lemus
Vanessa Lemus
Steven López-Zepeda
Lucas Madueña
Arianna Osuna
Sylvana Pacheco
Madalynn Pérez
Jessica Ramirez
Jessica Rodriguez
Victoria Sung
José Sepúlveda-Velarde
Jacqueline Zamora

La Quinta High School

Nathaniel White, Lead Teacher Coach
Dante Gomez, Attorney Coach
Josh Mulligan, Attorney Coach
Lea Armour
Taylor Graham
Blake Kessler
Kozic Margolis
Abygail Mills
Jasiah Moya
Angel Navarrete
Thien Nguyen
Keila Jimena Niebla Osuna
Jenna Seablom
Weston Shook
Kaleb Stark
Melayna Steenhard
Chau Tran
Jessinda Valadez
Hannah Van Patten
Ian VanDerLinde

Palm Desert High School

Chuck Mazet, Lead Teacher Coach
Shannon Fix, Teacher Coach
Jeff Economides, Attorney Coach
Steven Sorensen, Attorney Coach
Elizabeth Tucker, Attorney Coach
Tess Abedi
Makena Bennett
Alexa Berman
Tianneh Garcia Bonardi
Abigail Cheley
Tara Bakhshi Dezpuli
Lauren Farrell
Aspen Flatt
Margaux Hickman
Shaurya Mahajan
Shafaa Munjal
Ashley Perri
Karissa Pertler
Ian Randolph
Tallulah Rector
Allison Smith
Emily Tucker
Brandon Yoo

HEMET USD

Hemet High School

James Walsh, Lead Teacher Coach
Robert Brown, Teacher Coach
Paula Gutierrez Baeza, Attorney Coach
Eduardo Baez
Andres Baeza
Brooklynn Battle
Siena Buri
Tytan Campbell
Ashley Colstock Horn
McKenna Galletta
Maria Gonzalez
Aaron Ma
Jay Martinez
Miranda Martinez
Robert Navarro
Jacob Ochoa
Ernie Ordaniel
Aldo Ortiz
Riley Ruziska
Jade Salazar
Darian Satcherwhite
Alexa Segura
Gavin Stewart
Tristan Tan
Eddie Villa
Salem Walsh

JURUPA USD

Patriot High School

Jason Horton, Lead Teacher Coach
Mike Dohr (Retired), Teacher Coach
Timothy Brown, Attorney Coach
Cathryn Heinen, Attorney Coach
Angel Alcalá
Josiah Aleman
Alex Anaya
Amy Argueta
Fabiola Castaneda
Valeria Contreras-Ordain
Ethan Flores
Fatima Garcia
Letzy Gutierrez
Emaly Gutierrez
Lucas Henneman
Bryan Hernandez
Benjamin Juan
Marina Juan
Julia Mendoza
Maria Noriega
Javier Orozco-Ceballos
Linda Ortega
Orlando Ramirez-Castillo
Niveen Sara
Aliana Vargas
Victoria Venegas
Shayra Zeledon

2023 Riverside County Mock Trial Teams

MORENO VALLEY USD

Valley View High School

Gabriel Arnold, Lead Teacher Coach
Mackenzie Gray, Attorney Coach
Miles Robison, Attorney Coach
Venecia Espinoza
Aliana Flores
Dayanara Hernandez
Ruby Hernandez
Justice Laird-Hayes
Alexander Lamas
Analyn Lambert
Janet Morales
Sophia Palmer
Katelyn Phan
Marco Ramirez
Crystal Renteria
Marinelly Rivera
Yessenia Sanchez
Jacob Saucedo
Maziah Stuart
Reyshilyn Villegas

MURRIETA VALLEY USD

Murrieta Valley High School

Todd Thornburg, Lead Teacher Coach
Karra Gordon, Teacher Coach
Lisa Delzompo, Attorney Coach
Joe Galasso, Attorney Coach
Judge Raquel Marquez, Attorney Coach
Reed Webb, Attorney Coach
Sela Carmouche
Ava Chaput
Hayden DeVolder
Mercedes Eisen
Hailey Espinoza
Gia Estrada
Michela Fantino
Joseph Galasso
Joely Gardiner
Madisyn Negro
Aleksandra Petrovski
Anna Pham
Elijah Reading
Erika Salcedo
Corinne Smith
Ashley Spicer
Grace Sutherland
Claire Todd
Ryan Trinh
Taylor Zebrack

PALO VERDE USD

Palo Verde High School

Jay Tribby, Lead Teacher Coach
Aryk Alamillo
Lakyah Ausbun
Monty Dale
Elisa Flores
Joseph Galvan
Kaylee Green
Alexcya Grijalva
Rafael Guzman
Alonzo Hernandez
Montana Loyd
Edgar Mata
Amy Moreno
Arianna Parrish
Leah Pena
Hailey Phelps
Chairoum Tenas
Jasmine Vasquez

PERRIS UNION HSD

Heritage High School

Phuong Phung, Lead Teacher Coach
Elizabeth Ayers
Alethea Escarzaga
Elena Garcia
Bryan Garcia
Aizia Goodman
Layla Goodman
Angel Mastro
Valeria Munoz
Natalia Munoz
Ava Smeed
Mariyah Thomas
Emily Thompson
Samuel Thompson

Liberty High School

Foster Pineaux, Lead Teacher Coach
Armani Aguirre
Scarlet Allred
Valentina Hernandez Barahona
Kyle Bolo
Jasmine Buth
Therese De Leon
Jayshon Dedrick
Chloe Furlong
Kashia Harrell
Yessenia Hernandez
Michael Aguirre-Jules
Peter Balboa Pacheco
Quartney Shaw
Kristian Strong
Sojorn Vanderhoof
Jalayah Warner

Paloma Valley High School

Marisa Billions, Lead Teacher Coach
Perla Aegria
Liliana Alegria
Davon Almanza
Catalina Azevedo
Olivia Contreras
Nick Gabriel
Madysyn Gonzales
Madailein Graves
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Nichole Liu
Ahzana Luna
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Caleb Navarro
Bella Puangchan
Jenaveve Rodriguez
Gael Silva Jr.
Oscar Soria
Savera Vakil
Adrianna Valadez



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RIVERSIDE USD

John W. North High School

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Homan Hosseinioun, Attorney Coach
Yusuf Ashrif
Rahm Braslaw
Reyna Garcia-Carbajal
Ethan Chun
Caitlyn Cohen
Kierstyn Cohen
Gabriela Cruz
Josiah DeJesus
Claire Hong
Kaylie Lopez
Sharon Ma
Noah Gilman-Morgan
Eshal Naqvi
Elizabeth Cisneros-Oakes
Chan Park
Alberto Sanchez
David Santiago

Martin Luther King High School

Michele Hampton, Lead Teacher Coach
Bailey Brown, Attorney Coach
Benjamin Hampton, Attorney Coach
Latifa Al-Harazi
Affaf Alhussari
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Reese Cash
Dana Chiek
Delaney Donahue
Hailey Finley
Annette Fowler
Payton Hicks
Raelynn Kiser
Kaylee Magno
Madison Maradiaga
Maya Maradiaga
Joshua Mayberry
Catalina McCarron
Jared Merrill
Jacob Mugridge
Brooklyn Najera
Isabella Orozco
Olivia Purdy
Evie Ruvalcaba
Victoria Saenz
Maya Sandoval
Madyson Schindler
Yamah Shokoor
Dalissa Sotelo
Connor Sousa
Giovanna Wilkinson

Polytechnic High School

Matthew Schiller, Lead Teacher Coach
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Josh Hanks, Attorney Coach
Emily Hoyt, Attorney Coach
Carlos Monagas, Attorney Coach
Samuel Beaumon
Xuan-Anh Biggs
Jack Boren
William Burns
Amelia Chavez
Elizabeth Chinchilla
Pascale Gibbs
Samiah Gomez
Connor Julian
Isaac Julian
Katherine Kraft
Annabelle Lindwall
Lily Marsella
Aubrey Packer
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Emily Rubio
Sydney Smith
Beckett Sullivan
Caroline Timko
Jonathan Viene
Mackenzie Watkins

Ramona High School

Claire Cantrell, Lead Teacher Coach
Cassie Allen, Lead Teacher Coach
Paul Akers-Poindexter, Teacher Coach
Mina Jafari, Attorney Coach
Jackson Lucky, Attorney Coach
Ronald Alonso
Isabella Argaez
Melissa Argueta
Emmanuel Carrillo
Edith Cervantes
Christina Chimal
Krystal Delgado
Elijah Figueroa
Miguel Flores
Kimberly Javier-Campos
Gurneet Kaur
Anthony Lopez
Diego Macias
Moises Magana
Malaya Maivigil
Mikaella Josh Manalac
Charlotte Mcginnis
Lauryn Mobley
Mackenzie Orellana
Eileen Patron
Avree Pieters
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2023 Riverside County Mock Trial Teams

DIOCESE OF SAN BERNARDINO

Notre Dame High School

Elizabeth Bell, Lead Teacher Coach
Marina Hernandez, Teacher Coach
Judge Eric Keen, Teacher Coach
Erin Alexander, Attorney Coach
Erik Mills, Attorney Coach
Kelly Moran, Attorney Coach
Brianna Ruiz, Attorney Coach
Frances Cramer
Jude Cramer
Ashley DeGennaro
Daphne Egizi
Xavier Felix
Ariana Gonzalez
Nadia Guzman
Marissa Hernandez
Aubrey Hernandez
Nathaniel Hott
Grace Mankin
Ally Patel
Ana Sofia Ramirez
Adrian Reyes
Gretchen Reyes
Danyelle Russell
Natasha Singh
Samantha Voorhis

TEMECULA VALLEY USD

Chaparral High School

Linda Zimel, Lead Teacher Coach
Kelli McFedries, Teacher Coach
Honorable Jeff Zimel, Attorney Coach
Bob Semnar, Attorney Coach
Dan Vinson, Attorney Coach
Bethel Albe
Peniel Albe
Isabella Arrieta
Athena Bucuo
Melissa Chai
Esther Chavarria
Natalia De La Torre
Sophia Delizo
Selayah Duarte
Jasmin Fathi
Jonathan Persechini
Claire Qu
Dezi Ramos
Samantha Stillman
Jackson Suemnick
Ben Sullivan-Douglass
Zoe Sullivan-Douglass
Jake Underwood
Sydney Vinson
Luke Weeg

Great Oak High School

Don Skaggs, Lead Teacher Coach
Taylor Petrucci, Teacher Coach
Tori Burk, Attorney Coach
Brett Swenson, Attorney Coach
Rend Abdulhasan
Ryam Abdulhasan
Ella Blackwell
Nya Bromley
Luis Suarez Cabrera
Hawk Chapin
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Hanah Livingston
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Kieran McCallister
Damien Milton
Daniel Ortega
David Pangle
Nat Pina
Jai Rajput
Mollie Rosenblatt
Bree Savage
Kyla Savage
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Attorney Coach

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Principal

Nominated by Heritage High School

Steven Sorensen

Attorney Coach

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Coach

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and been valuable sources of support for Mock Trial.*

Steering Committee Members

Attorney Coaches

Attorney Scorers

Judges

Mentor Judges

Parents

Teacher Coaches

Courtroom Artist Judge

Past Riverside County Mock Trial Champions

1983	Perris High School, Perris Union High School District
1984	Ramona High School, Riverside Unified School District
1985	Ramona High School, Riverside Unified School District
1986	John W. North High School, Riverside Unified School District
1987	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
1988	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
1989	John W. North High School, Riverside Unified School District
1990	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
1991	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
1992	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Tenth Place at National Competition
1993	Arlington High School, Riverside Unified School District
1994	Arlington High School, Riverside Unified School District, National Competition Winner
1995	Norte Vista High School, Alvord Unified School District
1996	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Third Place at National Competition
1997	Corona High School, Corona-Norco Unified School District
1998	Temecula Valley High School, Temecula Valley Unified School District
1999	Woodcrest Christian High School
2000	John W. North High School, Riverside Unified School District, Second Place at State Competition
2001	Arlington High School, Riverside Unified School District
2002	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
2003	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Fourth Place at National Competition
2004	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Third Place at State Competition
2005	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Fourth Place at State Competition
2006	Woodcrest Christian High School
2007	Martin Luther King High School, Riverside Unified School District
2008	Temecula Valley High School, Temecula Valley Unified School District
2009	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
2010	Woodcrest Christian High School
2011	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
2012	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
2013	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
2014	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Third Place at State Competition
2015	Hemet High School, Hemet Unified School District
2016	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
2017	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Seventh Place at State Competition
2018	Martin Luther King High School, Riverside Unified School District, Third Place at State Competition
2019	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District, Third Place at State Competition
2020	Polytechnic High School, Riverside Unified School District
2021	Martin Luther King High School, Riverside Unified School District
2022	Notre Dame High School, Office of Catholic Schools - Diocese of San Bernardino, Fourth Place at State Competition

*Good luck
to all of the students
participating in the
2023 Mock Trial!*



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