Santa Clara County’s Modifications to the CRF Team Rulebook

Effective 10/16/17

The Santa Clara County High School Mock Trial Tournament Steering Committee adopts the California Mock Trial Program 2016-17 Team Rulebook with the following exceptions:

Rule 1.2(E). Add “See Scripting Guidelines” to the end of the paragraph.

Rule 1.3(B). Teacher and Attorney coaches may only be identified at the conclusion of the trial.

Rule 1.3(C). This rule is not adopted.

Rule 1.3(D). This rule is not adopted.

Rule 1.3(F). Add at end of first sentence “with COE provided rosters.” Delete second sentence and replace with “Schools will provide rosters with information on which roles and assignments the students perform.”

Rule 1.3(L). Add “However, the Clerk and Backup Timer may use their cell phones as a stop watch.”

Rule 1.3(M). This rule is subject to the prior approval from the Santa Clara County Superior Court Presiding Judge. The Steering Committee will strive to obtain all necessary approvals for teams to take team photographs inside the courthouse.

Rule 1.4(C). This rule is modified to add the following sentence -- “Coaches’ edits and contributions do not constitute plagiarism.”

Rule 3.8(G). The rule is modified to include “when attorneys read stipulations into the record” as conduct when the clock is not stopped.

Rule 3.8(J). The rule is modified to allow for “two-minute, one minute, and 30 second visual and verbal warnings.”

Rule 5.3(A). Please note that clerks and baliffs will be scored as per the CRF criteria.

Rule 5.4(F). Add “materials” after “case.”

Rules 5.5 and 5.6. The Power Pairing Memo replaces these rules for purposes of the Santa Clara County High School Mock Trial Tournament.

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