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Support the Tournament

The Rhode Island Legal/Educational Partnership (RILEP) has produced the Rhode Island Mock Trial Tournament since the 1984-85 school year, yet few people know the organization behind the tournament.

Our Present Supporters:

The 26th annual Rhode Island Mock Trial Tournament is made possible by grants from the Rhode Island Bar Foundation, the Rhode Island General Assembly and the Rhode Island Department of Education; donations from SECA and United Way, and contributions from various kind supporters, volunteers, and individuals like you.

Due to the economic crisis we are facing, our grants have been decreased greatly. To keep our program viable we are counting on support from those that value our program. Why not help?

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Yes, I would like to do my part to support this wonderful program. My tax deductible contribution is enclosed.

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Rhode Island
Legal/Educational Partnership
Presents

2010



The 26th
Annual
Rhode Island Tournament
Championship
Mock Trial

with the
2010 Semifinalists

St. Mary Academy Bay View
&
Toll Gate High School

Chief Justice
Paul A. Suttell, Presiding

Rhode Island Supreme Court
Licht Judicial Complex
Providence
April 12, 2010
4:00 PM

The Tournament

Rhode Island Legal/Educational Partnership's Mock Trial Tournament began with only eight teams. This year the twenty-sixth tournament has thirty-two teams registered in the senior division (grades 9-12) and twenty-four teams in the junior division (grades 6-8). The tournament's continuing popularity is a testament to the unique educational experience it provides. Each year, the Rhode Island Legal/Educational Partnership publishes a hypothetical legal case and students form teams, assume the roles of attorneys and witnesses, develop legal strategies, and argue their cases before members of the Judiciary.

The Volunteers

Volunteers make the Rhode Island Mock Trial Tournament possible. This year, almost one hundred trials will be held between December and May. For each trial, an active sitting Judge volunteers to serve as Presiding judge; two or more attorneys serve as Performance judges, and a trial official, often a volunteer, monitors the time requirements. The Partnership is grateful to each and every judge and attorney or paralegal who has given his or her time and effort to make the trials possible. We also recognize the numerous other individuals in the courts, agencies and law firms who help coordinate people and places. The Mock Trial Tournament would cease to exist without the support and dedication of all these individuals.

PROGRAM

- *Welcome—Michael D. Lynch
President, RILEP*
- *Introduction of the Jury*
- *Introduction of the Teams*
- *Trial - Chief Justice
Paul A. Suttell, Presiding*
- *Jury Decision*
- *Closing Comments*
- *Reception*

The Honored Jury

Foreperson

Honorable Patrick C. Lynch
Attorney General
State of Rhode Island

Jury Panel

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Rhode Island Bar Association

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East Greenwich

Carolina Baque Bernal
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Senior Trial Official

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