

**2025-2026 USF School of Law Moot Court Program**  
**Case Counsel & Competition Team Member**  
**Instructions and Application**



**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

1. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 is required to apply. Once accepted into the program, a 2.5 cumulative **and** semester GPA are required to continue membership. If you have concerns about your GPA, please contact Professor Vu or the Moot Court Board.
2. Applications are **due no later than 11:59 p.m. on Monday, April 14, 2025**. Interviews will take place in the week after the Applications are due.
3. Completed Applications must contain the documents listed below and in the order set out below. Failure to follow formatting instructions will impact your application.
  - a. A complete Application form;
  - b. Signed and dated acknowledgment of page 5 of this Application;
  - c. Responses to questions 1-7 (see below);
  - d. A current resume;
  - e. A copy or screenshot of your transcript from “MyUSF”; and
  - f. A legal writing sample (10-15 pages maximum) indicating the semester it was written.
4. Please submit an electronic copy of your application.
  - a. Applications should be emailed to the Moot Court Board at [usfmootcourt@gmail.com](mailto:usfmootcourt@gmail.com)
  - b. **The electronic copy and ALL attachments must be merged into one PDF document.**
  - c. Please note failure to submit a completed app that complies with formatting instructions may result in your application not being considered.
5. After submitting your application, the Moot Court Board will send you a sign-up sheet for an interview time. Interviews will take place in-person.
  - a. **ALL APPLICANTS will be required to and should be prepared to deliver a 1.5 minute - 2 minute oral argument during their interview.** The Board will likely ask questions during this time. We suggest using your introduction and road

map from First Year Moot Court. We do NOT want to hear a recitation of the facts.

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS FROM THE INFORMATION PACKET**

1. Case Counsel receive one (1) unit per semester.
2. Competition Team Members receive two (2) units during the semester in which they compete and are required to enroll in the three (3) unit Appellate Advocacy class in the Fall. New members selected to compete on Saul Lefkowitz Moot Court Competition are required to enroll in the one (1) unit Lefkowitz Workshop in the fall semester, three (3) unit Appellate Advocacy course and the one (1) unit Advanced Moot Court Program in the Fall semester. In the Spring, Lefkowitz competitors will receive one (1) unit for competition.
3. All Case Counsel and Spring Competition Team Members are required to enroll in the one (1) unit Advanced Moot Court Program.

Thank you for your interest in the USF Moot Court Program! The Board looks forward to meeting you during interviews.

USF School of Law, Moot Court Board

## **CASE COUNSEL & COMPETITION TEAM MEMBER APPLICATION**

What position(s) are you applying for? (Check both if applicable)

- ☐ Case Counsel  
☐ Competition Team Member

### **Personal Information:**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Email: \_\_\_\_\_

USF ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Year in School: \_\_\_\_\_ Full Time or Part Time: \_\_\_\_\_

*If PT, are you planning on transferring to full-time next year?* \_\_\_\_\_

LRWA Professor: \_\_\_\_\_ LRWA Grade(s): Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Spring (if 2L or PT 3L): \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Percentile: \_\_\_\_\_

How many units do you expect to take next year *before* adding the requisite units for Moot Court?

See page 1 for unit requirements for Case Counsel and Competition Team. \*

(Fall) \_\_\_\_\_ (Spring) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Applicant's course load must allow the student to register for the required two units per semester.*

*Note that the maximum number of units a student may register for in a semester is sixteen (16) units.*

Have you previously participated in AMC? If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please type your responses to the following questions:**

1. **Moot Court Positions:** Are you applying for Case Counsel, Competition Team member, or both? If you are applying for both, please state your order of preference. If you are applying for a competition team, what are, at least, the top three teams that you would like to participate in?
2. **Personal Goals:** What do you hope to get out of your participation in the Moot Court Program?
3. **Oral Advocacy:** Describe any relevant team, group, teaching, mentoring or coaching experience you have had that has prepared you for the positions for which you are

applying. Include sport teams, debate teams, school-related activities such as membership in any student organizations, and any previous Moot Court or public speaking experience.

4. **Legal Research & Writing:** If applicable, please describe in detail relevant writing experience, apart from LRWA or Moot Court (legal or otherwise), including any publications or awards for written work.
5. **Extracurriculars:** In the next academic year, do you plan to work or participate in any of the following activities: tutoring, internship, judicial externship, clinical program, law review/journal? If yes, please indicate which activities and how many hours per week/units per semester. Also include any specific time constraints for the academic year (including holiday and spring breaks) and any concerns you may have with the schedule requirements for participating as case counsel or team member.
6. **Scheduling:** What are your plans for this summer? Will you be in the Bay Area? Are you planning on applying for the MBA program? The AMC program mandates attendance to evening Zoom classes, assigns coursework, and offers office hours to all its students, beginning in August. The program's internal competitions will take place once classes resume in September. It is required for new members to attend.
7. What skills, interests, or experiences demonstrate your qualifications to compete on the teams for which you have applied? Please write about each competition in which you are interested and rank them in order of most to least interested.

**Please also sign page 5 of this application AND attach a resume, unofficial transcript, and legal writing sample.**

**[ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR COMPETITION TEAM  
APPLICANTS ONLY ON NEXT PAGE]**

### **COMPETITION TEAM APPLICANTS ONLY:**

1. Below are the competitions we will likely be participating in. Rank the competitions you are interested in in order of interest, with “1” being your *first choice*. If there are any teams you are *unwilling to participate in*, please mark them with “x.” *See descriptions of timelines for each competition in the Moot Court Program Information Packet.*

- ☐ San Francisco Trial Lawyers Association Civil Mock Trial Competition [Fall]
- ☐ Criminal Mock Trial Competition [the exact one is TBD] [Fall]
- ☐ National Moot Court Competition [Fall]
- ☐ National Criminal Procedure Competition [Fall]
- ☐ Brooks Institute National Animal Law Competition [Fall]
- ☐ Saul Lefkowitz Moot Court Competition [Spring]
- ☐ Tulane Professional Football Negotiation Competition [Spring]
- ☐ National Appellate Advocacy Competition (NAAC) [Spring]
- ☐ Wagner National Labor and Employment Law Moot Court Competition [Spring]
- ☐ UC Davis Asylum & Refugee Law National Moot Court Competition [Spring]
- ☐ UC Law SF Constitutional Law Invitational Competition [Spring]
- ☐ CA Lawyers Association Environmental Law Negotiation Competition [Spring]

**\*Evidence OR participation in *either* IAP or Trial Practice are a pre-requisite OR co-requisite for membership on a Trial Team.**

2. Have you taken or will you be enrolled in any of the following courses next Fall?  
(check all that apply)

- ☐ Applied Evidence
- ☐ Alternative Dispute Resolution
- ☐ Copyright/Trademark
- ☐ Criminal Procedure
- ☐ Employment/Labor
- ☐ Evidence
- ☐ Immigration
- ☐ Intensive Advocacy Program (IAP)
- ☐ IP Survey
- ☐ International Law/Human Rights
- ☐ Mediation
- ☐ Negotiations
- ☐ Patent
- ☐ Sports Law
- ☐ Trial Practice

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

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Failure to follow the formatting instructions will impact your application. There is no guarantee that applications turned in after the deadline will be considered, so please submit your applications on time.

A link to a Google document for the interview sign-up sheet will be sent to your email the day after applications are due.

I represent that all the above information and submitted attachments are true and correct and agree that my GPA and academic standing may be verified by the Registrar.

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(Date)

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(Signature)