



ROTHWELL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2016-2017

The Rothwell Intellectual Property Law Moot Court Competition presents a moot court problem in the field of intellectual property that is written by the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA). Working in teams of two, competitors submit briefs and argue for both parties to the case. Each competitor individually briefs one issue. The top internal teams are invited to participate in the regionals for the Giles S. Rich Intellectual Property Moot Court Competition. The winning team receives the *Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck Award*, which includes plaques and monetary prizes, over graduation weekend. Previous Rothwell problems dealt with prior art status, proper claim construction, public availability, jurisdiction, and patent eligibility.

KEY DATES

Friday, Sep. 30, 2016: Deadline to Register	Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017: Preliminary Round
October 2016: Problem Distributed	Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017: Advancement Round(s)
November 2016: Petitioner & Respondent Briefs Due	tba: Final Round

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND INFORMATION

To participate in the 2016-2017 Rothwell Intellectual Property Law Moot Court Competition, students *must* complete the following by Monday, September 5, 2016:

- (1) **Register by September 5th (or by Sept. 30 with approval)** to receive credit for the Rothwell competition via GWeb. The course is titled “**Moot Court – Rothwell**” (LAW 6644-26)” and the CRN is **10978**. Students are not permitted to audit the course.
- (2) **Complete and submit an “Intent to Compete” form by September 30th**, available on the course portal once registered, or in hard copy in the Distribution Center across from Records or from Dean Johnson in STU207. Once completed, it can be submitted in either hard copy location.

Please **check the portal regularly** as all Rothwell competition materials and announcements will be distributed via the portal. For questions, please email the Rothwell Co-Chairs, Sydney Fields & Meg Robertson, at rothwell@law.gwu.edu