



THE HONORABLE WARREN W. EGINTON

JUSTICE INSTITUTE

DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

AGENDA

DAY ONE (July 13, 2026)

8:30 am – 9:00 am	Optional Breakfast (Cafeteria)
9:00 am – 9:15 am	Welcome (Courtroom 1) <i>Hon. Sarala V. Nagala, United States District Judge</i> <i>Monica Watson Cucchiarelli, Chief Deputy Clerk</i> <i>Rowena Moffett, Federal Bar Council</i>
9:15 am – 9:30 am	About the Federal Court and WWE Legacy Presentation (Courtroom 1) <i>Monica Watson Cucchiarelli, Chief Deputy Clerk</i> <i>William H. Narwold, Judge Eginton's First Law Clerk</i>
9:30 am – 10:00 am	Public Speaking 101 (Courtroom 1) <i>Christopher Lembo, Assistant U.S. Attorney</i> <i>Nathan Guevremont, Assistant U.S. Attorney</i> <i>Chuck Willson, Federal Defender</i> <i>Carly Levenson, Assistant Federal Defender</i>
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 am - 11:00 am	Participant Introductions (Practicing Public Speaking 101 Techniques) (Courtroom 1)
11:00 am – 11:15 am	Mock Trial Introduction
11:15 am – 12:00 pm	Lunch (Cafeteria) – (Participants and Law Student Coaches)
12:00 pm – 12:45 pm	Presentation: K-9 Unit & Bomb Squad (Cafeteria)

12:45 pm – 1:00 pm

Break

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Group Meetings with Law Student Advisors

	TEAM 1 Prosecutors	TEAM 2 Defense Counsel	TEAM 3 Prosecutors	TEAM 4 Defense Counsel	TEAM 5 Prosecutors	TEAM 6 Defense Counsel
Coaches	Patrick Briody	Rose Jacobs	Anayis Doolittle	Cameron Cupp	Kylie Corniello	Samantha Barrett
	Lucy Hanson	Holly McGrath	John Tyler	Sofi Hansen	Matthew Schilleman	Madeleine Malin
	Beatrix Jordan			Hannah Siegel	Julia Tucker	Victor Sosa
Location	CR 1 Jury Room	Judge Nagala's Library	Training Room (2 nd Fl)	South CR Jury Room (2 nd Fl)	North Jury Room	West Jury Room (2 nd Fl)

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Break

2:45 pm – 4:00 pm

Instruction and Breakout Session: Delivering an Opening Statement (Courtroom 1)

Moderator: Hon. S. Dave Vatti, United States Magistrate Judge

Panelists:

Geoff Stone, Deputy Chief, Violent Crimes & Narcotics Unit, U.S. Attorney's Office

Amanda DeMatteis, Partner, Garrison, Levin-Epstein, Fitzgerald & Pirrotti, P.C.

(3:15 – 4:00 pm: Prosecutors – (Courtroom 1))

(3:15 – 4:00 pm: Defense Counsel – (South Courtroom - 2nd Fl))

DAY TWO (July 14, 2026)

8:30 am – 9:00 am	Optional Breakfast (Cafeteria)
9:15 am – 10:00 am	Law-Adjacent Careers (Courtroom 1) <i>Moderator: Hon. Thomas O. Farrish, United States Magistrate Judge</i> <i>Panelists:</i> <i>Jennifer Wagner, Special Agent, FBI, New Haven</i> <i>Kevin Del Biondo, Senior United States Probation Officer</i> <i>Jennifer Mellon, Investigator, Federal Defender's Office</i> <i>Holly Wasilewski, Reentry Coordinator, United States Attorney's Office</i>
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Break
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Court Observation (Sentencing) (North Courtroom) <i>United States v. Kuttino Jamal Scott, 24cr103(MPS)</i> <i>Hon. Michael P. Shea, Chief United States District Judge</i>
11:45 am – 12:30 pm	Lunch (Cafeteria – Participants Only)
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Instruction and Breakout Session: Direct Examinations and Cross-Examinations (Courtroom 1) <i>Moderator: Hon. Omar A. Williams, United States District Judge</i> <i>Panelists:</i> <i>Michael McGarry, Assistant U.S. Attorney</i> <i>Craig Raabe, Partner, Izard, Kindall & Raabe, LLP</i> (1:00-1:30 pm: Prosecutors – (Courtroom 1)) (1:00-1:30 pm: Defense Counsel – (Courtroom 2))
1:45 pm – 2:00 pm	Break
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Team Breakout Sessions with Law Student Advisors to Prepare for Moot Court Competition

	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3	TEAM 4	TEAM 5	TEAM 6
Location	CR 1 Jury Room	Judge Nagala's Library	Training Room (2 nd Fl)	South CR Jury Room (2 nd Fl)	CR 3 Jury Room	West Jury Room (2 nd Fl)

DAY THREE (July 15, 2026)

8:30 am – 9:00 am	Optional Breakfast (Cafeteria)
9:00 am – 10:00 am	<i>Would I Like Law School?</i> (Courtroom 1) <i>Moderator:</i> Millie VandenBroek, Director of Career Development, Quinnipiac Law School <i>Panelists:</i> Brittany Lamarr, UConn Law '26 Chavez Lewis, Quinnipiac Law '28 Madeleine Malin, UC Berkeley Law '28
10:15 am – 11:00 am	Research Skills and Artificial Intelligence (Library, 2nd Floor) <i>Julie Jones, Circuit Librarian, Second Circuit Court of Appeals</i> <i>Hon. Alvin W. Thompson, United States District Judge</i>
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Lunch (Cafeteria; Participants Only)
12:15 pm – 12:30 pm	Break/Move to USMS Cell Block
12:30 pm – 1:15 pm	U.S. Marshals Service: Tour of Cell Block (3 rd Floor)
1:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Instruction: Delivering a Closing Argument (Courtroom 1) <i>Moderator:</i> Hon. Robert A. Richardson, United States Magistrate Judge <i>Panelists:</i> Hal Chen, Assistant U.S. Attorney Audrey Felsen, Partner, Koffsky & Felsen (1:45-2:30 pm: Prosecutors – (Courtroom 1)) (1:45-2:30 pm: Defense Counsel – (Courtroom 2))
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Break
2:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Team Breakout Sessions with Law Student Advisors to Prepare for Moot Court Competition

	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3	TEAM 4	TEAM 5	TEAM 6
Location	CR 1 Jury Room	Judge Nagala's Library	Training Room (2 nd Fl)	South CR Jury Room (2 nd Fl)	North CR Jury Room	West Jury Room (2 nd Fl)

DAY FOUR (July 16, 2026)

8:30 am – 9:00 am	Optional Breakfast (Cafeteria)
9:30 am – 10:15 am	Court Observation (Naturalization Ceremony) (Courtroom 1)
10:15 am – 10:30 am	Break
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Jury Selection (Courtroom 1) <i>Hon. Robert M. Spector, United States Magistrate Judge</i> <i>Brandon Seguro, Jury Clerk</i> <i>Ray Miller, Senior Litigation Counsel, U.S. Attorney's Office</i> <i>Allison Kahl, Assistant Federal Defender</i>
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Lunch (Cafeteria; Participants Only)
12:45 pm – 1:45 pm	Connecticut Supreme Court Tour <i>Q&A with Connecticut Supreme Court Justice Andrew McDonald</i>
2:00 pm – 3:45 pm	Team Breakout Sessions with Law Student Advisors to Prepare for Moot Court Competition

	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3	TEAM 4	TEAM 5	TEAM 6
Location	CR 1 Jury Room	Judge Nagala's Library	Training Room (2 nd Fl)	South CR Jury Room (2 nd Fl)	CR3 Jury Room	West Jury Room (2 nd Fl)

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Students Reassemble in Courtroom One for Final Mock Trial Q&A
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DAY FIVE (July 17, 2026)

8:30 am – 9:00 am

Optional Breakfast (Cafeteria)

9:00 am – 10:00 am

Group Photos (Annex Stairway)
Final Preparation for Mock Trial Competition

10:00 am – 11:15 am

Round One: Mock Trial Competition

Team 1 v. Team 2	Courtroom 1
Team 3 v. Team 4	Courtroom 2
Team 5 v. Team 6	South Courtroom (2 nd Fl)

11:15 am – 11:30 am

Break

11:30 am – 12:45 pm

Round Two: Mock Trial Competition

Team 3 v. Team 6	Courtroom 1
Team 5 v. Team 2	Courtroom 2
Team 1 v. Team 4	South Courtroom (2 nd Fl)

12:45 pm – 1:30 pm

Lunch (Cafeteria – Participants and Law Student Coaches)

1:30 pm - 1:45 pm

Break

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Championship Round: Mock Trial Competition (North Courtroom)
Judge: Hon. Michael P. Shea, Chief United States District Judge

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Jury Deliberations

Commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of
Independence

Hon. Alvin W. Thompson, United States District Judge

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm

Awards and Closing Remarks (North Courtroom)

3:45 pm – 4:30 pm

Reception (Annex)