### MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE **CONTEST 6 – MARCH 2007 ANSWERS**

### **Round 1 Alg 2: Simultaneous Equations and Determinants**

A) 
$$a = 2$$
,  $b = -1/3$ 

$$C) -6$$

## Round 2 Alg 1: Exponents and Radicals

B) 
$$x = -1$$
,  $y = -5$ 

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#### **Round 3 Alg2: Polynomial Functions**

$$A) \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$

#### Round 4 Alg 1: Anything

$$B) \pm 7$$

C) 
$$2(x + 1)(x + 2)$$
  
=  $2x^2 + 6x + 4$  (or equivalent)

#### **Round 5 Plane Geometry: Anything**

# Round 6 Alg 2: Probability and the Binomial Theorem

A) 
$$\frac{34}{455}$$

B) 
$$\frac{455}{4}$$

C) 
$$\frac{13}{18}$$

#### **Team Round**

E) 
$$18\sqrt{3} - 6\pi$$