

## **66TH ML/C JUDICIAL REVIEW SUMMARY**

The Judicial Review program is being revised this year to begin to serve more delegates while at the same time continuing to provide a high quality advanced Court program experience to a limited number of delegates and provide a leadership role for a few selected delegates within the program area.

### ***Program Summary:***

- Appellate court-type program which will deal with a factual scenario developed to evaluate the constitutionality of a certain bill(s) passed during the prior ML/C and signed by the Youth Governor.
- Factual scenario will incorporate a mock legal challenge to the prior ML/C bill(s) that, under the facts provided, is now being considered by the Judicial Review Court.
- Six different panels will consider the same factual scenario with each panel having three justices, including one presiding justice.
- There will be two attorneys on each side of the dispute, for a total of four attorneys participating in each oral argument – two attorneys arguing *against* the constitutionality of the bill based on the given facts and law and two attorneys arguing *in favor* of the constitutionality of the bill based on the given facts and law.
- The Judicial Review participants will spend Bob 2 and Sacramento learning and understanding the relevant factual scenario and the relevant case law. At Sacramento, the attorney delegates will write a persuasive brief arguing in favor of their position and the brief will be provided to the justices. At Sacramento, the justices will learn both sides of the case (including the relevant legal authority) prior to oral argument.
- The Sacramento conference will culminate with an appellate-style oral argument in which each panel of justices hears and questions the assigned attorneys during their argument. Each panel of justices will then be responsible for drafting an opinion setting forth its decision on the question(s) presented to it and a well-reasoned explanation of the basis for its decision.

### ***Participants and Leadership Opportunities:***

- 42 delegates total – 18 justice roles and 24 attorney roles.
- 6 of the justice roles will be "Presiding Justices" and will be selected following an interview at Bob 2.
  - Presiding Justices will assist in training all of the delegates at Sacramento regarding the facts and the law. Presiding Justices will also lead their panel of justices and help to ensure participation during the oral argument and completion of a well-reasoned written decision following the argument.
- Great program for delegates with prior court experience.

### ***Staff:***

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