



THE JEFFREY G. MILLER NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION



February 18–20, 2027
Final Round February 20, 2027 at 1:30 p.m. White Plains, NY 10603

NELMCC Office
78 N. Broadway, P218
White Plains, NY 10603

REGISTER ONLINE

- Deadline: October 1, 2026
- **Nonrefundable fee: \$1,250.00 payable by Credit card using payment Link.** Checks are accepted. Mail to Lorraine Rubich c/o Pace |Haub School of Law, NELMCC; 78 N. Broadway, White Plains, NY 10603.
- Includes light breakfasts, lunches and receptions during the competition for team members and one coach; other expenses not covered
- Open to 48 teams; teams accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Registrations received after deadline are considered at the discretion of the NELMCC Board.

TEAMS

- One team allowed per school
- Team must be constituted and form completed by October 24, 2026. Team should be comprised of two or three current law students.

OFFICIAL RULES

- Rules are posted on the [NELMCC website](#)

COMMUNICATION

- Official correspondence will be directed **ONLY** to the one person listed as the team contact on registration form.

LOCATION

- Pace|Haub Law School, White Plains, NY. This competition is easily accessible to NYC and major airports; a convenient

45 minute train ride to Grand Central Station on Metro North Railroad.

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Teams are responsible for accommodations. **Book your stay with Sonesta Hotel** by January 19, 2027.
- Pace | Haub Law will furnish shuttle

PROBLEM

- Problem to be released by email on October 1, 2026 to one team contact only.
- Q&A period—questions pertaining to problem are allowed only through the deadline of October 24, 2026.

BRIEFS

- Refer to Rules regarding detailed brief writing and submission instructions
- Each team will write a brief for one of three parties' legal positions of their choosing
- Briefs are graded by practicing environmental attorneys for content, legal analysis and accuracy
- Briefs are graded for correct Bluebook citation, spelling, punctuation and format
- Measuring Brief and Non-Measuring Brief must be uploaded to new NELMCC portal by Friday, Nov. 20, 2026.
- A 1-point deduction will be applied to late brief submissions.

ORAL ROUNDS

- See Rules for instructions
- Oral arguments begin with two preliminary rounds on Thursday,

followed by the third preliminary & quarterfinal rounds on Friday. Semifinal and final rounds will take place on Saturday, February 20, 2027.

- Each argument features three adverse teams
- Judges evaluating the oral rounds include regional attorneys with environmental law expertise, alumni and Haub Law faculty .
- At least two, and in most courtrooms three, judges will comprise a bench.
- Competitors may not use electronic devices, including but not limited to iPads, cell phones, & smart watches in the courtroom.
- Scoring in the preliminary rounds is based on a combination of brief scores and scores from the oral arguments
- Scoring in the later rounds is based on oral performance.

OBSERVING ORAL ARGUMENTS

- If space permits, One coach may observe in the courtroom.
- 2—Point deductions will be made, if it is determined that interference has taken place by a coach, professor, or visitor.

AWARDS

Winning Team
Two Finalist Teams
Best Brief Overall
Best Briefs (remaining 2 parties)
Best Oralist
Best Oralist—Honorable Mention

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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

October 1, 2026	Registration deadline
October 1, 2026 (on or about)	Problem & Rules distribution by email to registered teams
October 24, 2026	Deadline for questions relevant to the Problem
October 24, 2026	Teams must be constituted by this date (see NELMCC Rule III (B)) Deadline for Team Member Confirmation Form online submission to NELMCC
November 20, 2026	Measuring and Non-Measuring briefs due. Upload documents to NELMCC by November 20, 2026, for posting on web in Fulfillment of Service on opposing teams. See Rules for details service on opposing teams
January 19, 2027	Sonesta Hotel reservation deadline
February 8, 2027	Confirm 1 coach attendee for competition, email, name and phone
February 18, 2027	Advance Check in at Sonesta Hotel
February 17, 2027	Competition Check in at Elisabeth Haub School of Law
February 18, 2027	Preliminary Rounds I & II (Thursday)
February 19, 2027	Preliminary Rounds III & Quarterfinal Round (Friday)
February 20, 2027	Semifinal Round (Saturday morning)
February 20, 2027	Final Round — Saturday Afternoon, 1:30 p.m. Gerber Glass Moot Courtroom. Reception immediately following in Tudor Room