

2025 MSBA Mock Trial Advisory Committee Volunteer of the Year Award

Each year hundreds of volunteer judges and lawyers across Minnesota devote time to the MSBA High School Mock Trial Program. Volunteers take on the roles of judges, coaches and committee members. This award has been established to recognize volunteers who go above and beyond.

This Award's recipient has worked tirelessly to fulfill the goals of the program which include:

- 1) To develop a practical understanding of the way in which the American legal system functions.
- 2) To enhance cooperation and respect among educators, students, legal professionals and the general community.
- 3) To help students increase basic life and leadership skills such as critical and creative thinking, effective communication and analytical reasoning.
- 4) To heighten appreciation for academic studies and promote positive scholastic achievement.

If you know of a Mock Trial volunteer worthy of this recognition, please nominate him/her/them to show your appreciation for their efforts. Please describe in 300 words or less how the nominee named above has worked to fulfill the above-named goals of the MSBA High School Mock Trial Program.

This award will be presented at the High School Mock Trial Awards Banquet on March 7, 2025. Nominations will be accepted until February 7, 2025. Nominations should be submitted via e-mail or US Mail to Kim Basting, Mock Trial Director at kbasting@mnbars.org or 33 S Sixth Street, Suite 4540, Minneapolis, MN 55402.