New York Law School hosted the 37th Annual Charles W. Froessel Moot Court Competition September 18-22, 2013. After a spirited and well argued competition, 28 new candidates were chosen to join the Moot Court Association.

The Froessel Competition was co-chaired by Catherine Brunetto and Ariel Cabral, and the fact pattern was co-authored by Elona Kukaj and Alex Noble. The first issue in this year’s fact pattern required competitors to argue whether a state law that created a floating bubble zone prohibiting speech around reproductive health care facilities violated the First Amendment rights of protestors that gathered outside of the only reproductive healthcare facility in the state.

The second issue required competitors to argue whether a state law that imposed liability on a website for publishing truthful information about a minor’s medical history violated the website’s First Amendment rights.

The Final Round competitors were Aruna Chittiappa, Michael Forsette, Naveed Fazal, and Leopoldo Guerra. The award for Best Preliminary Oralist went to Rebecca Medina. The Best Petitioner Brief was written by Khalil El Assad and Jeffrey Liu, and the Best Respondent Brief was written by Jack Ferreri and Gafar Zaaloff. The award for Best Team went to Victoria Gionesi and Pekhna Singh, and the award for the overall Best Oralist went to Aruna Chittiappa.

The Moot Court Association would like to thank all of the New York Law School alumni for their tremendous support in helping to fill over 100 judging slots!

This year’s Final Round competitors argued in front of:

- The Honorable D. Brooks Smith
  U.S. Court of Appeals Judge for the Third Circuit

- The Honorable Brigitte Amiri
  Senior Staff Attorney for the ACLU Reproductive Freedom Project

- The Honorable Joseph E. Irenas
  U.S. District Court Judge for the District of New Jersey

- The Honorable Faviola Soto
  New York State Court of Claims Judge

- The Honorable Susan J. Abraham
  Professor at New York Law School
Competitions in Fall 2013

Emory University School of Law Civil Rights and Liberties Moot Court Competition:

Congratulations to Octo-Finalists Elona Kukaj and Nathalie Gonzalez, as well as Octo-Finalists Emily Barile and Lily Ockert and their coaches Garrett Baldwin and Julie Nociolo.

The 13th Annual Leroy R. Hassell, Sr. National Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition at Regent University

The 20th Annual Burton D. Wechsler First Amendment Moot Court Competition at American University

The 32nd Annual International Moot Court Competition in Information Technology and Privacy Law at John Marshall University

The National Health Law Moot Court Competition at Southern Illinois University

The 31st Annual Chicago Bar Association Moot Court Competition

The 64th Annual New York City Bar Association Moot Court Competition

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Please contact the Competition Chairs Nathalie Gonzalez and Katerina Kurteva with any questions at wagnermoot@nyls.edu

MESSAGE FROM PROFESSOR SUSAN ABRAHAM

As faculty advisor of the Moot Court Association at New York Law School, I am always inspired by the way students take on the responsibility to run the Association so professionally. They began this year by once again rising to the challenge of the Froessel Competition, managing it flawlessly and shepherding in a talented group of new members who are already working hard on brief writing and learning skills from their more experienced mentors. The final round of Froessel, which can be viewed on our webpage at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TDgc2Tpu1wU&feature=youtu.be showcased the remarkable skills of four of those new members, leaving the final round bench genuinely impressed by what they saw and heard.

This year, we are very fortunate to have a group of dedicated Moot Court alumni step forward to create a NYLS Moot Court Alumni Organization (MCAO), which we kicked off in September with a well-attended and high spirited Moot Court alumni cocktail hour. It was a beautiful night and wonderful to see so many dedicated former Moot Court Members return to mix with each other and our students. The Alumni Organization is dedicated to providing a forum for alumni to keep in touch with each other and to support students on the MCA by contributing their experience and skills through mentoring and networking, as well as fundraising, to insure that students will be able to continue competing in a time of shrinking budgets. We have already raised just over $4000 toward our goal of $40,000 for this year. If you are interested in contributing to the fund that will support the students to compete in the spring competitions, you can send a check to the attention of Tara Regist-Tomlinson at the NYLS Alumni Office with “Moot Court Association” written on the check, or click on the link https://alumni.nyls.edu/mootcourt.

As you know, the experience of competing on a moot court team is, for many, among the very best experiences of law school.

Thanks so much for your support. We look forward to seeing you in the near future!
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- **Elizabeth Alisme**
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