



## Dominion Christian School wins the State Mock Trial Championship!

WILLIAMSBURG —Students from across Virginia and Washington D.C. competed this past weekend at the 2018 Virginia High School Mock Trial Competition. The competition, held at the College of William and Mary Law School, provided teams from public schools, private schools, and the homeschool community with a unique opportunity to try an authentic criminal or civil case in front of judges and attorneys. The competition was run by the Virginia Law Related Education Institute in conjunction with the Center for Legal and Court Technology.

High school students of Dominion Christian School from Reston, Fairfax County, were crowned this year's state champion. Dominion Christian School will now represent the Commonwealth of Virginia at the National High School Mock Trial Program this May in Reno, Nevada.

“We are so proud of Dominion and all of the teams that competed this year,” stated VLRE Executive Director Matthew Rossetini. “Just like practicing attorneys, these students prepared their case for months in advance. They learned why we have rules of court, how a case is supported by facts, and why facts must relate to the law. The competition was a positive and exciting educational experience for students, which included them talking with legal professionals. A new generation of Virginian citizens now understand the importance of access to justice.”

Please visit <http://www.gofundme.com/send-dcs-mock-trial-team-to-reno> if you wish to help Dominion Christian School represent Virginia in Reno this May. For more information on the Virginia High School Mock Trial Program, including our teacher workshops, team workshops, regional competitions, and the state competition, please visit <https://govlre.org/>. If you want to volunteer your time to support access to justice education in Virginia, please contact me directly at the email or phone number below.

All the best,  
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### **About the Virginia Law Related Education Institute:**

The mission of the Virginia Law Related Education Institute is providing to students analytically-based law-related opportunities. Founded in 2016, VLRE works in partnership with the Center for Legal and Court Technology at William and Mary Law School and is affiliated with the National High School Mock Trial Championship. Our flagship program, the Virginia High School Mock Trial Program, provides students with a five to seven-month project-based learning experience focusing on access to justice in the American legal system.

For more information, please visit: <https://govlre.org/>

### **About the Center for Legal and Court Technology:**

The Center for Legal and Court Technology is an entrepreneurial public service initiative of the Marshall-Wythe Law School at the College of William & Mary and the National Center for State Courts, dedicated to advancing the efficient use of technology in the administration of justice. The Center offers summer courses focusing on the law and justice.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.legaltechcenter.net/>

**About Dominion Christian School:**

Dominion Christian School is a 22-year-old independent classical K-12 college-preparatory school with campuses in Oakton and Reston, with a third campus opening in Ashburn in the fall of 2019. To learn more about Dominion, please visit: [www.dominionschool.com](http://www.dominionschool.com)

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