

APPENDIX A
BOWMAN MOOT FACTUM MARKING GUIDE

Team #: _____

1. Stylistic Considerations

- Were proper sentence and paragraph structure and sequence used?
- Did the factum contain grammatical or spelling errors?
- Was the language clear and comprehensible (effective use of “plain language” principles)?

SCORE: /4 POINTS

COMMENTS (IF ANY)

2. Authorities and Citations

- Were sufficient and proper legal citations applied consistently throughout?
- Did Counsel rely on appropriate and strong authorities?
- Was a sufficiently broad range of authorities cited?

SCORE: /4 POINTS

COMMENTS (IF ANY)

3. Organization of Issues

- Was there a clear and correct statement of the facts and issues?
- Were the issues organized and did they flow in a logical order?
- Were the issues discretely divided or were they convoluted?
- Was there appropriate use of sub-headings, etc.?

SCORE: /4 POINTS

COMMENTS (IF ANY)

4. Development of Arguments

- Were the arguments presented in a persuasive and compelling manner?
- Did Counsel apply the correct substantive law in crafting legal arguments?
- Was appropriate weight given to each issue with a focus on Counsel's strongest arguments or were there unnecessary arguments?
- Did Counsel effectively apply the law to the facts?
- Were the arguments creative and/or original or was it merely a restatement of the lower court decisions?

SCORE: /8 POINTS

COMMENTS (IF ANY)

TOTAL – FACTUM: _____/20