CRIMINAL LAW - MOCK TRIAL EVALUATION RUBRIC: LAWYER

STUDENT: _____ CASE: _____ ROLE: _____

	Level 1 (50-59%) 10-11.5	Level 2 (60-69%) 12-13.5	Level 3 (70-79%) 14-15.5	Level 4 (80-100%) 16-20
Knowledge /20	Limited knowledge of case and trial procedure. Demonstrates a poor understanding of opponent's case and strategies.	Satisfactory knowledge of case and trial procedure. Demonstrates some understanding of opponent's case and strategies.	Good knowledge of case and trial procedure. Demonstrates understanding of opponent's case and strategies.	Expert knowledge of case and trial procedure. Demonstrates a superior understanding of opponent's case and strategies.
Thinking /20	Unsatisfactory quality of questions prepared for both direct and cross-examination. Poor opening and/or closing summation prepared.	Satisfactory quality of questions prepared for both direct and cross-examination. Satisfactory opening and/or closing summation prepared.	Good quality of questions prepared for both direct and cross-examination. Good opening and/or closing summation prepared.	Superior quality of questions prepared for both direct and cross-examination. Excellent opening and/or closing summation prepared.
Communication /20	Limited ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Limited ability to think spontaneously in the role of a lawyer.	Satisfactory ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Some ability to think spontaneously in the role of a lawyer.	Good ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Ability to think spontaneously in the role of a lawyer.	Excellent ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Superior ability to think spontaneously in the role of a lawyer.
Application /20	Few, if any, application of law and trial procedures throughout mock trial (i.e. evidence, questioning, objections, precedent, etc.) Evidence of limited research.	Some application of law and trial procedures throughout mock trial (i.e. evidence, questioning, objections, precedent, etc.) Evidence of satisfactory research to enhance case.	Good application of law and trial procedures throughout mock trial (i.e. evidence, questioning, objections, precedent, etc.) Evidence of research to enhance case.	Superior application of law and trial procedures throughout mock trial (i.e. evidence, questioning, objections, precedent, etc.) Evidence of substantial research to enhance case.