

CRIMINAL LAW - MOCK TRIAL EVALUATION RUBRIC: WITNESS

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 limited understanding of witness and their role in the case.	Satisfactory knowledge of case and trial procedure. Demonstrates some understanding of witness and their role in the case.	Good knowledge of case and trial procedure. Demonstrates a good understanding of witness and their role in the case.	Expert knowledge of case and trial procedure. Demonstrates an expert understanding of witness and their role in the case.
Thinking /20	Limited accuracy of responses during Direct Examination. Poorly prepared for opposition's cross-examination and strategies.	Some accuracy of responses during Direct Examination. Somewhat prepared for opposition's cross-examination and strategies.	Good accuracy of responses during Direct Examination. Well prepared for opposition's cross-examination and strategies.	Superior accuracy of responses during Direct Examination. Extremely well prepared for opposition's cross-examination and strategies.
Communication /20	Limited ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Poor quality, credibility and effectiveness of character.	Satisfactory ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Satisfactory quality, credibility and effectiveness of character.	Good ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Good overall quality, credibility and effectiveness of character.	Superior ability to communicate information in a clear, concise manner to the jury. Excellent overall quality, credibility and effectiveness of character.
Application /20	Few, if any, application of facts, law and trial procedures throughout mock trial. Evidence of limited research and preparation for role.	Some application of facts, law and trial procedures throughout mock trial. Evidence of satisfactory research and preparation to enhance role.	Good application of facts, law and trial procedures throughout testimony during mock trial. Evidence of research and preparation to enhance role.	Superior application of facts, law and trial procedures throughout mock trial. Evidence of substantial research and preparation to enhance role.