# 2019 MOCK TRIAL CASE HARLEY DAVISON V. GOTHAM CITY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND PRESERVATION

PLEASE NOTE: The following additions/revisions have been made to the Rules and are included and identified in the case booklet.

### Page 8 -- Part I - Tournament Rules

7. Signals and Communication, paragraph has been slightly revised by adding the following sentence to provide clarification:

"The restriction upon the use of electronic devices during an enactment by a person other than a timekeeper should not be construed to prevent a county coordinator or other authorized tournament official from authorizing the use of such a device as a reasonable accommodation for a participant with a disability, where such use is required to ensure the person's full and equal participation in the tournament".

#### Page 11 -- Part I - Tournament Rules

- 11. Witnesses. A new rule (paragraph (h)) has been added. It is intended to provide clarification on the current rules already in place.
- h. All witnesses are intended to be gender-neutral and can be played by any eligible student regardless of the student's sex or gender identity.

### Page 21 -- Part II - Policies and Procedures

- 5. Regional Tournaments, paragraph (d) has been slightly revised. The words "number of points" has been replaced with the words "point differential." This revision was made to provide consistency with the County Tournament rules.
- d. The winning team from each region will be determined by an enactment between the two teams with the best records (most number of wins and greatest **point differential**) during the regional tournament. The winning team from each region will qualify for the State Finals in Albany.

## Page 25 -- Part II - Policies and Procedures Request for CLE Verification Request Form

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### Page 37 -- Part III – Rules of Evidence and Procedure

**4. Hearsay, Rule 401 has been slightly revised.** In sentence #6, the words "what she heard someone else say" have been replaced with the words "a statement made". The revised sentence now reads as follows:

Essentially, the witness on the stand is repeating a statement made outside the courtroom.