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## **EIGHTH ANNUAL PACE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION**

Pace University School of Law is the organizer and host of the oldest and largest moot court competition of any kind held in one location. The Pace National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition provides the opportunity for law students from across the country to develop skills in environmental law and appellate advocacy.

The competition was developed by Pace students in 1988. This year, seventy-two schools participated, represented by almost 200 law students. The environmental problem argued in the competition is prepared by Barry Breen, the Environmental Law Institute and Pace University. The problem focuses on developing environmental issues of national importance. The unique competition format consists of three parties represented in each round. Pace University developed this format because it mirrors actual environmental litigation.

Every year, Pace Environmental Law Review publishes the competition's best briefs. This year, we acclaim Southern Methodist University for its submission, which had the highest score in the competition. The University of Baltimore, the University of Florida and Brooklyn Law School each had the best brief for their respective party.

Pace Environmental Law Review is also publishing the competition's bench memo, which was developed to assist competition judges in evaluating oral and written arguments.

Pace University commends the University of Houston, the overall winner of the Eighth Annual National Environmental Moot Court Competition. Stetson University and John Marshal School of Law are also honored of their excellent oral argument presentations in the Final Round of the

competition. We also congratulate Cyndi Russell of Wake Forest who was the Best Oralist of the competition.

Pace University and the National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition Board commends the effort of all taking part in the competition as judges, brief graders, bailiffs, advisors, and participants. To all involved, we extend our warmest appreciation.