The Widener University School of Law Moot Court Honor Society Proudly Presents

The Twenty-Fifth Annual Ruby R. Vale Interschool Corporate Moot Court Competition

March 14-17, 2013
Ruby R. Vale

Ruby R. Vale (1874–1961), born in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, as the son of Joseph Griffith and Sarah Ruby (Eyster) Vale, was named for his maternal grandmother’s family. He received his secondary education at the Dickinson Preparatory School and later graduated from Dickinson College in 1896, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. In 1896, he came to Milford, Delaware, to teach and serve as principal of the Milford Classical Academy.

In 1898, he left the Academy and returned to Dickinson College to study law. In 1899, he received the degrees of Bachelor of Laws and Master of Arts. He was admitted to practice in Pennsylvania in 1899, and became associated with the Philadelphia law firm of Alexander and Magill. After Mr. Alexander’s death, he continued as a partner of Mr. Magill. Thereafter, Mr. Vale practiced independently for many years in Pennsylvania, specializing in corporation, banking, and insurance law. An excellent lawyer, he was highly regarded by judges and members of the Pennsylvania Bar. He was also a prolific writer of scholarly articles and treatises on negotiable instruments, mechanics’ liens, and rules of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. He is perhaps best remembered for his multivolume work titled, Vale’s Pennsylvania Digest, which for many years was the authoritative source of Pennsylvania law.

Upon his death, the Ruby R. Vale Foundation was formed, which provides financial support for the Ruby R. Vale Distinguished Scholar Program.

Ruby R. Vale married Maria Elizabeth Williams on January 21, 1901, in Milford, Delaware. The couple made their home in Milford in the Williams family home. After it was destroyed by fire, the Vales paid for construction of a new city hall on the site and donated it to the City of Milford.

Widener University School of Law
Ruby R. Vale Interschool Corporate Moot Court Competition
Registration Form

March 14–17, 2013

Name of Law School (as you would like it to appear in print):

Mailing Address:

Telephone: (    )
Fax: (    )
Contact Person:
E-mail Address of contact person:
Telephone number of contact person: (    )
Registration fee: $500 (1 team) $1,000 (2 teams)
Total amt. enclosed: $    (Second team registration fee will be refunded if not accepted.)

DEADLINE OCTOBER 26, 2012, OR THE FIRST 24 TEAMS TO REGISTER

Please make all checks or money orders payable to:
WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Registration materials should be submitted to:
Moot Court Honor Society
Widener University School of Law
c/o Patricia Burns
4601 Concord Pike, P.O. Box 7474
Wilmington, DE 19803-0474

Please direct all questions to Ryan Cox at 302-757-9363
E-mail: rpcox@mail.widener.edu

REGISTRATION FEE IS NONREFUNDABLE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SECOND TEAM REGISTRATION FEE IF SPACE DOES NOT PERMIT PARTICIPATION.
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The Widener University School of Law Moot Court Honor Society invites you to participate in the twenty-fifth annual Ruby R. Vale Interschool Corporate Moot Court Competition being held on March 14, 15, 16, & 17, 2013, in Wilmington, Delaware.

The Corporate Competition introduces participants to the cutting edge of corporate law. As Delaware’s only law school, Widener is in a unique position to draw on the resources and experience of the distinguished Delaware corporate legal community. The decisions of the Delaware Supreme Court are considered preeminent and have been adopted by many states around the country.

An integral part of the Ruby R. Vale Interschool Corporate Moot Court Competition is the Distinguished Scholar Lecture. The chosen individual is an outstanding member of the corporate law community. Along with providing the keynote address of the competition, the individual selected as the Distinguished Scholar Lecturer will also serve as a Justice in the final round of the competition.

For the past 24 years, this event has attracted competitors from prestigious law schools throughout the country and has given law students the opportunity to address current corporate legal issues with members of the Delaware judiciary and Delaware corporate legal community. In March 2012, 24 teams from 22 schools participated in our competition.

We look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

Ryan Cox
Vice President, Moot Court Honor Society
Chairperson, Ruby R. Vale Corporate Competition

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**Competition Schedule**

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**Oral Arguments**

*(Times subject to change)*

**THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2013**

- Check-in: 4:30 p.m.–5:15 p.m.
- Competitors Meeting: 5:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
- First Preliminary Rounds: 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.; 7:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2013**

- Second Preliminary Rounds: 9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.
- Third Preliminary Rounds: 1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m.; 2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.
- Distinguished Scholar Presentation: 4:00 p.m.
- Banquet: 7:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2013**

- Quarter-Final Rounds: 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m.
- Semi-Final Rounds: 3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.; 4:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2013**

- Final Round: 2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.
- Awards Ceremony: Following Final Round
Description Of The Competition

The Corporate Competition is an interscholastic appellate moot court competition sponsored by the Moot Court Honor Society of the Widener University School of Law, Delaware Campus. The competition focuses on the area of corporate law. Each round of the competition is judged by attorneys and judges from the bench and bar of Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. The competition is open to the first 24 teams to register. The problem to be argued will contain at least two corporate issues of current legal relevance. Each school may enter one team and also may place a second team on the wait list. The second team will remain on the wait list until October 30, 2012. At that time, if space is available, the second team will be admitted. A team may consist of two or three members.

Accommodations

For competitors’ convenience, a block of rooms will be reserved at a discounted rate at the DoubleTree Hotel Wilmington which is located within walking distance of the Widener University School of Law campus. More detailed information pertaining to the hotel will be supplied with registration confirmation. All participants are invited to join us at the DoubleTree Hotel on Friday, March 15, 2013 for the competition banquet.

Awards

Recognition awards will be presented to the two finalist teams, the winners of the Donald E. Pease Best Corporate Brief Award, and the winner of the Best Oral Advocate Award.

2012 Corporate Competition Winners

**Winner**
James R. Mason, Thomas Russell III, Rustin M. Brown
Howard University School of Law

**Finalist**
Joseph C. Barsalona II, Thaddeus Boggs, Emily Farinacci
The Ohio State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law

**Best Oral Advocate**
Daniel Hanlon
University of Miami

**Best Corporate Brief**
Rachel Gillen, Jacqueline A. Rogers, Michelle Sudano
William and Mary School of Law

Seated (left to right): Justice Randy J. Holland
Chief Justice Myron T. Steele
Justice Carolyn Berger

Standing (left to right): Justice Henry duPont Ridgely
Justice Jack B. Jacobs