

Mock Trial Volunteering Role Guide

Role	What's involved?	Time commitment	Best suited to
Local Organiser (Remote or in-person)	This is an active role in which you will assist the Mock Trial team to facilitate the competi- tion on a local and/or regional level.	While there is no strict time commitment for this role, volun- teers play a key role in facilitat- ing the Magistrates Mock Trial competition.	 Volunteers with at least 2 + years experience as a Mock Trial Volunteer Legal professionals with excellent networking abilities.
	It requires building local net- works, liaising with courts and coordinating volunteers for our Magistrates Mock Trial.	This typically requires a high level of availability for one full competition cycle (one academ- ic year).	
Regional Coordinator (Remote or in-person)	Regional Coordinators play a valuable role in helping to co- ordinate our Team Mentors and Judges for a Bar Mock Trial in their region. This role requires building local networks of mentors, judges, liaising with the Mock Trials Team and coordinating volun- teers for our Bar Mock Trial Competition.	While there is no strict time commitment for this role, volun- teers play a key role in facilitat- ing the competition in the run up to the heats. This typically requires availability over one full competition cycle (one academ- ic year).	 Volunteers with at least 2 + years experience as a Mock Trial Volunteer Legal professionals with excellent coordination and organisation skills.
Competition Judge (In-person)	Our Competition Judges play a vital role in judging the schools performance during the trial.	This role requires availability to attend one heat day event , usually on a Saturday.	 Active or retired judges Experienced Barristers and QC Barristers. Magistrates, Solicitors and Barristers (Magis- trates Mock Trial)
Team Mentor (Remote or in-person)	Team Mentors directly support young people in the lead up to their heat. This includes mentoring school teams on their advocacy style, helping to structure examinations in chief and assisting students to unpick criminal cases.	This role requires a minimum commitment of one session held virtually or in-person with an allocated school. Volunteers are welcome to schedule more sessions based on their availability.	 Legal professionals (including barristers, solicitors and judges) Postgraduate legal stu- dents (LPC or BPTC)
Heat day volunteer (In-person)	Our heat day volunteers assist with the logistics of running a busy and interactive mock criminal trial; This includes wel- coming schools and supporting legal professionals volunteering on the day.	This role requires availability to attend one heat day event, usually on a Saturday.	 Anybody with an active passion for the UK judicial system. Legal students of any level.
Case writing project volun- teer (Remote)	This is a project based role Typically, volunteers will assist us with the research, planning and writing of our legal cases provided to schools in the run up to the Mock Trial Compe- tition. Perfect for legal eagles with an eye for attention to detail!	This role typically involves a commitment of two to three hours a week over a two month period.	 Legal researchers Postgraduate law students Legal professionals to assist with checking the law and fact patterns