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WEDNESDAY AUGUST 23

7:00 - 10:00 pm Reception/Dinner: Professionalism Address
by Fulton State Court Judge Susan Edlein

THURSDAY AUGUST 24

7:30 am Registration & Breakfast

8:00 - 8:30 am Welcome, Faculty Introductions and Overview

8:30 - 10:00 am Nuts & Bolts of Mediation
• Art Glaser, Henning Mediation

10:00 - 10:15 am Break 3:30 - 3:

10:15 am - 12:15 pm Opening Statement: Faculty Demo & Discussion

12:15 - 12:30 pm Break & Get Boxed Lunch

12:30 - 1:45 pm Working Lunch: Voir Dire/Jury Selection Strategy
• Maithilee Pathak, R&D Strategic Solutions

1:45 - 3:00 pm Breakout Sessions –
• Student performance of opening statement

3:00 - 3:15 pm Break

3:15 - 5:00 pm Party & Lay Witness Examinations:
Faculty Demo & Discussions

5:00 - 6:30 pm Breakout Sessions
• Student performance on the direct and
cross-examination of parties and lay witnesses

FRIDAY AUGUST 25

8:00 - 9:00 am Ethics Hypotheticals – Faculty Discussion

9:00 am - noon Expert Witness Examinations:
Faculty Demo & Discussion

12:00 - 1:30 pm Lunch on Your Own

1:30 - 3:30 pm Breakout Sessions: Student Demonstration of Direct
and Cross-Examination of Experts

3:30 - 3:45 pm Break

3:45 - 5:15 pm Closing Argument: Faculty Discussion

5:30 - 6:30 pm Hospitality Suite Reception

6:30 pm Dinner on Your Own

SATURDAY AUGUST 26

8:00 am Breakfast

8:30 - 10:00 am Closing Argument: Faculty Demo

10:00 am - noon Breakout Sessions
• Student performance of a closing statement

12:00 pm Adjourn

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