

ASHLY BOESCHE COACHES IIT CHICAGO-KENT MOOT COURT TEAM TO FIRST PLACE REGIONAL WIN FOR A SECOND TIME IN THREE YEARS

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Pattishall Partner, **Ashly Boesche**, successfully led this year's IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law moot court competition team to a first place win in the Midwest Regional Tournament on Saturday, February 6, 2016—her second such victory since she began coaching just three years ago. The IIT Chicago-Kent team of Stephanie Crigler (2016) and Kenny Matuszewski (2016) won not only the regional competition but also the best brief award.

The Midwest Regionals are considered to be the toughest in the country, with over 18 teams competing from 13 different law schools. Ashly's approach to preparing Team Chicago-Kent for the competition was as dedicated, pragmatic and feisty as she. Practice sessions were held several times each week in the month preceding the competition. Ashly honed her team's presentation style, demeanor and language while also preparing them to think quickly on their feet when responding to judges' questions. Ashly challenged her team to focus on "real" advocacy in court.

In 2014, Ashly's debut year as a moot court coach, IIT Chicago-Kent's moot court team won first place and best brief in the Midwest Regional Tournament. At the 2014 National Finals, the team placed fourth overall out of 96 teams. Ashly and Team Chicago Kent are now preparing for the National Finals, which will take place on March 12, 2016 at the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, DC.

