SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. **Witness Selection**. P-D-D-P-P. Only the Plaintiff may call Garcia, White, or Ziegler. Only the Defense may call Heisman or Michael. Either party may call Davis, Midori, or Sandberg.
- 2. Sex of witnesses and parties. Elizabeth Ginger is female. At captains' meeting, each team will announce the sex of its witnesses, and the Defense will announce the sex of Max Heisman.
- 3. **Final versions.** All case documents are the final and only versions of those documents. Revision dates are included only to ensure that teams are using the most current copy of every document. For purposes of the trial, revision dates do not indicate anything else about the history of the document. For instance, revision dates do not indicate that, or when, a witness has revised his or her affidavit or report.
- 4. **Authenticity**. Witnesses must acknowledge authorship of any document that purports to be authored by them and authenticity of any signature that purports to be theirs. A witness whose affidavit, deposition, or report states that the witness is familiar with a particular document must acknowledge, if asked, that the witness is familiar with that document and that the document referenced in the affidavit, deposition, or report is the same version as the corresponding document in the current case.
- 5. Experts. Both Declarations shall be treated as affidavits under AMTA Rule 8.17.
- 6. **Black-and-white permitted**. Teams may use color or black-and-white copies of any case document. No objection may be raised to an exhibit or demonstrative on the ground that it has been altered by printing a color document in black-and-white.
- 7. **Closed universe problem.** The only statutes or judicial decisions that competitors may mention, or judges may rely upon, as the basis for admitting or excluding evidence are those set forth in the "Statutes" or "Available Case Law" contained in the case packet.
- 8. **Fifth Amendment.** No witness may refuse to answer any question and no attorney may instruct a witness not to respond based on the witness's Fifth Amendment rights.
- 9. **Best evidence rule limited to items in the case packet.** No attorney may object under Rule 1002 of the Midlands Rule of Evidence if the "original writing, recording, or photograph" in question is not among the documents contained in this case packet.
- 10. Existence of documents if certain witnesses not called. The affidavit or declaration of any witness who does not testify is deemed not to exist for purposes of the trial. This rule does not cover the Audit, which exists even if its author is not called as a witness. If Gray Garcia does not testify, then Exhibit 10 (Device Profile and Declaration of Olivia Wolbert) is deemed not to exist for purposes of the trial. This instruction makes no statement regarding admissibility.