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Supreme Court to Judge WVU Law School Moot Court

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The Supreme Court of Appeals will judge the West Virginia University College of Law Baker Cup Moot Court appellate advocacy competition at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, in the Supreme Court Courtroom in Charleston.

Since 1982, the competition has been open to all second-year law students, who must write an appellate brief and present oral arguments on both sides of the issue. The two finalists argue before the Supreme Court, and the justices rule on the appellate advocacy skills of the two students.

The competition is sometimes held on the same day the Supreme Court holds an argument docket at the law school and sometimes the students travel to Charleston and have the competition in the courtroom.

The two finalists this year are Cameron LeFevre of Berkeley County and Mattie F. Shuler of Point Pleasant.

LeFevre has degrees in political science and philosophy from West Virginia University. He said he is drawn to the law because it combines his three passions: logic, rhetoric, and oration. He is most interested in energy law, land use, and business transactions.

Shuler attended American University in Washington, D.C., and Marshall University in Huntington, graduating cum laude from Marshall with a degree in sociology. She focused her undergraduate studies on labor relationships in environmentally-focused Appalachian businesses. She plans to pursue a career in civil litigation and appellate advocacy.

The argument will be webcast live and later will be posted on the West Virginia Judiciary YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/c/wvsupremecourt>.

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