

**WANTED:
VOLUNTEERS
FOR
STATE FAIR MOCK TRIALS
*TRIAL BY JURY***

It may seem early, but the State Fair will be here before you know it. I am looking for volunteers to judge and report this year's State Fair Mock Trials. The mock trials are put on by the Iowa State Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division. They like to have a "real judge" preside over their trials and to also have a court reporter there to report them. Whether realtime is set up is up to the individual reporter. Reporting these mock trials gives us an opportunity to promote our profession and demonstrate our technology.

The dates of the State Fair for this year are: Thursday, August 9, through Saturday, August 18. The mock trials are held nightly through these dates commencing at 6:30 p.m.

The mock trials are held in the Family Theater Building, which is located near the main gate (between the DNR Building and the Grandstand). The trials are performed in the Variety Theater. **The building is air-conditioned.**

It is suggested that participants arrive around 6 p.m. The "trials" usually last approximately an hour, and there is a question-and-answer period after the trial. So the time frame is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The Young Lawyers Division makes up a civil case and a criminal case. You will receive a packet containing materials for the case you will be reporting.

For your participation in this event, you will receive two tickets into the fair, a parking pass, and a free T-shirt.

PLEASE contact me to volunteer. (And if you have a judge, get them to volunteer with you --- if you like.) Prime dates fill up fast!

If there are any changes in these plans, I will let you know as soon as I am advised.

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