

MORRIS TYLER MOOT COURT OF APPEALS AT YALE LAW SCHOOL

HARLAN FISKE STONE PRIZE FINALS



MEDELLIN V. TEXAS NO. 06-984

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

Jose Medellin was sentenced to death for rape and murder. The International Court of Justice held that the convictions and sentences of 51 Mexican nationals, including Medellin, should be reviewed and reconsidered. President Bush determined that the United States would comply.

- 1) Did the President act within his constitutional and statutory foreign affairs power when he determined that states must comply with the Avena judgment rendered by the International Court of Justice in the cases of 51 named Mexican nationals?
- 2) Are states bound by the Constitution and ratified international treaties to give effect to the Avena judgment in cases involving the 51 named Mexican nationals that case addressed?

FOR PETITIONER

MICHAEL KROUSE '08
ENRIQUE SCHAEERER '08

FOR RESPONDENT

ZAC HUDSON '09
GABRIEL RAUTERBERG '09

PANELISTS

HON. MICHAEL W. MCCONNELL
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

HON. REENA RAGGI
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

HON. JERRY EDWIN SMITH
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10

4:30 PM

LEVINSON AUDITORIUM

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