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OVER NATIONAL LAW COMPETITION HOSTED BY UD

DAYTON, Ohio, March 8, 1988—Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia will preside as chief justice during the ninth annual National Administrative Law Moot Court Competition hosted by the University of Dayton on Friday and Saturday, March 18-19.

The UD School of Law Moot Court Board and Callaghan and Company, a legal publisher based in Wilmette, Ill., are co-sponsoring the contest, which is the only national administrative law competition in the country. Administrative law defines how disputes between private citizens and government agencies are processed and resolved.

Students from 19 law schools across the country will test their advocacy skills in the two-day competition. More than 100 local lawyers, judges and legal educators will judge the student competitors on their ability to argue points of law in a hypothetical legal case. The legal issues to be argued in this year's competition are whether Congress may constitutionally delegate law enforcement powers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and whether the NRC's choice of enforcement sanction is immune from judicial review.

Judging the final round on Saturday, March 19 at the Federal District Court Building downtown is a panel of federal judges that includes Scalia as chief justice as well as Pierce Lively, chief judge of the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, and Walter H. Rice, judge of the District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. Immediately following the final round, Justice Scalia will present the winning team with the coveted Judge Harold Leventhal traveling trophy. Trophies also will be awarded for best brief and best oralist. All competitors will receive book awards from Callaghan and Company.
The UD School of Law, as host, will not participate in the competition.

Scalia was appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court in 1986 by President Ronald Reagan. Prior to his appointment, he served as a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. He also has served as assistant attorney general and held teaching positions at the University of Virginia and the University of Chicago.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Cameras are not permitted in the courtrooms during the actual sessions. The best opportunity for photos and videotaping is during the awards ceremony at 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 19 in the Federal District Court Building, 200 W. Second St. Doors at the Federal Building, normally locked on Saturdays, will be attended from 5:30 until 6:15 p.m. for admission to the awards ceremony. Special arrangements for interviews and staged photos or videotaping can be made in advance by calling Cooley R. Howarth, Jr. at 229-2841 or Teri Rizvi at 229-3241.