



## Case Summaries of Past Texas High School Mock Trial Competition Cases: 1981-2019

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\_\_\_\_ **2003** [\*State of Texoma v. Splash Davis\*](#) (Criminal) Criminally negligent homicide case brought against the captain of a prestitious college swim team for the death of a freshman swimmer allegedly resulting from hazing.

\_\_\_\_ **2004** [\*Fleenk v. Synthetic Imaginistics\*](#) (Civil) Products liability suit against a videogame manufacturer for allegedly making a violent videogame that caused a troubled 12-year-old ward of the Plaintiff to severely injure Plaintiff's child.

\_\_\_\_ **2005** [\*State of Texoma v. Kelly Cooper\*](#) (Criminal) Manslaughter case against the driver of a car for the death of a passenger in another vehicle during a street racing incident.

\_\_\_\_ **2006** [\*Kerry Grandt v. Special Operations Security, Inc.\*](#) (Civil) A negligence suit brought against the owners of a security company responsible for the safety and security of the town's water treatment facility after a toxic substance was found to have been introduced into the water supply.

\_\_\_\_ **2007** [\*State of Texoma v. Casey Malvern\*](#) (Criminal) Was it cold-hearted murder or mercy when a nurse, charged with intentionally or knowingly causing the death of a terminally ill patient, allegedly administered poison?

\_\_\_\_ **2008** [\*Dabney Hamlin v. Orange, Inc.\*](#) (Civil) A negligence lawsuit stemming from the Plaintiff's purchase of a popular cellular "smartphone," the MePhone manufactured by Orange, Inc. Allegedly the phone has a defect which lets someone take control of the phone and access the owner's personal information and, possibly, lead to identity theft.

\_\_\_\_ **2009** [\*State of Texoma v. Bo Tyde\*](#) (Criminal) This is a prosecution of the crime of arson and/or the conspiracy to commit arson.

\_\_\_\_ **2010** [\*Orange, Inc. v. Yarbro Motors LLC\*](#) (Civil) This is a civil action with one corporation suing another under a claim for contribution & indemnity based on the theory of products liability.

\_\_\_\_ **2011** [\*State of Texoma v. Sitka Spruce\*](#) (Criminal) It is alleged that the Defendant, by means of coercion, influenced or attempted to influence a public servant to drop charges against an adult child.

\_\_\_\_ **2012** [\*R.C. Brahman v. Mahal Amrit\*](#) (Civil) The case of a bull in the road. The cause of action on which Plaintiff is going to trial is a claim for damages based on the theory of

negligence, specifically, Defendant was negligent in operating the vehicle owned and operated by Defendant.

\_\_\_\_ **2013** [\*State of Texoma v. Irion Wilbarger\*](#) (Criminal) Defendant has been charged by indictment with the criminal offense of aggravated robbery of property from a truck.

\_\_\_\_ **2014** – [\*Campbell Colquitt v. Perri Hogg\*](#) (Civil) The Defendant has been charged by indictment with the criminal offense of aggravated robbery by use or exhibition of a firearm.

\_\_\_\_ **2015** – [\*State of Texoma v. Lang Tigris\*](#) (Criminal) The Defendant has been charged by information with the criminal offense of manslaughter.

\_\_\_\_ **2016** – [\*Colfax Barkley v. Nixon Agnew\*](#) (Civil) Who is liable for shooting down the drone that killed beloved show dog, Pixel Poo Poo?

\_\_\_\_ **2017** – [\*State of Tecoma v. Houston Whit\*](#) (Criminal) When international pop star named, "Pauper" is found dead in his mansion, his longtime manager, Houston Whit is charged with murder. Did he do it? Or was it something or someone else?

\_\_\_\_ **2018** – [\*Gossan Flint vs. Texoman Development Corp.\*](#) (Civil) Gossan Flint has sued Texoma Development Corp. (TDC) for premises liability based on attractive nuisance. Plaintiff alleges TDC was negligent in causing the death of his/her 12-year-old son, Ganister, who jumped into an abandoned flooded quarry lake on TDC's property.

\_\_\_\_ **2019** – [\*State of Texoma v. Avery Jackson\*](#) (Criminal) Avery Jackson is charged with manslaughter when he hacks into Texoma General Hospital's patient records and holds them for ransom. During the time TGH is deciding whether or not to pay the ransom – a patient dies.

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\_\_\_\_ **1981** [\*Otway v. Tite Security and Tom Burke\*](#) (Civil) Premises liability: assault of customer of a convenience store by private security guard

\_\_\_\_ **1982** [\*State v. William Jordan\*](#) (Criminal) Theft of a strand of pearls involving oral confession and refusal to sign written confession

\_\_\_ **1983 [William Rayburn v. Curie Memorial Hospital](#)** (Civil) Reverse sex discrimination case brought by male hospital nurse

\_\_\_ **1984 [Pat Sims v. Chris Berling](#)** (Civil) Consumer fraud involving high school student's sale of a used automobile to fellow student

\_\_\_ **1985 [In the Estate of Mildred Rodgers, Deceased](#)** (Civil) Will contest by adult son claiming elderly mother was tricked into cutting him out of her will and leaving her entire estate to his in-laws

\_\_\_ **1986 [In the Interest of Hope Putnam Johnson, a Child](#)** (Civil) Child custody: Biological father seeks to regain custody of his daughter from her maternal grandparents, based upon claims of abuse and neglect

\_\_\_ **1987 [State of Texoma v. Clifford T. Bryant, III](#)** (Criminal) Delivery of 3/4 oz. of marijuana on school campus, with the teenage defendant raising defense of entrapment by undercover officer posing as a high school student

\_\_\_ **1988 [Felske v. Myer](#)** (Civil) Social host liability: high school basketball star, who was injured while diving in a swimming pool at a victory party, sues hosts of party for serving alcohol to teenagers

\_\_\_ **1989 [Bison City School District v. Ossicles](#)** (Civil) Contract dispute between well-known rock band and local high school involving failure to perform according to contractual agreement and failure to pay

\_\_\_ **1990 [State of Texoma v. Patricia Ryan](#)** (Criminal) Homicide of famous baseball player with "battered-wife syndrome" raised as defense

\_\_\_ **1991 [State of Texoma v. Jesse Goodall](#)** (Criminal) Criminal prosecution for inciting a riot at a public demonstration to protest opening of a toxic waste disposal site

\_\_\_ **1992 [In the Matter of Jerry Spillers, a Child](#)** (Civil) Termination of parental rights of a young single mother of a special needs child based upon claims of parental neglect

\_\_\_ **1993 [State of Texoma v. Jeffrey Hawthorne](#)** (Criminal) Homicide of two known drug dealers where defendant claims self-defense based upon obscure law of "perceived threat"

\_\_\_ **1994 [Neighbors Against AIDS Homes \(NAAH\) v. The Jamie King Trust, Vic\(kie\) G. Knight, Trustee](#)** (Civil) Injunction to close a group home established for persons with AIDS, on grounds that location of home within a residential neighborhood constituted a "public nuisance"

\_\_\_ **1995 [State of Texas v. Kelly O'Brien](#)** (Criminal) Arson of a women's health care center where an anti-abortion demonstration occurred

\_\_\_ **1996 [Wheaton v. Made in America](#)** (Civil) Wrongful death suit against retail store for negligence in selling a handgun to the deceased, a mentally disabled person

\_\_\_ **1997 [State of Texoma v. Dorian Craig](#)** (Criminal) Homicide prosecution arising from death of two individuals who were killed by the detonation of a bomb at the State Fairgrounds

\_\_\_ **1998 [December Dewey v. Kelly Conway and KBAR Channel 10 Television, Inc.](#)** (Civil) Defamation suit by prominent plaintiff's personal injury lawyer against local investigative reporter for news story about lawyer's handling of a mass tort case

\_\_\_ **1999 [State of Texoma v. Aurora "Rory" Greenway](#)** (Criminal) Criminal case based upon Texas author Larry McMurtry's *Terms of Endearment*, wherein Aurora "Rory" Greenway is charged with the murder of her terminally ill daughter, Emma "Em" Greenway.

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