

Author of the Moot Problem

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Professor McDermott is a graduate of Middlebury College (BA) and the University of Denver (JD) and has over forty years experience as a lawyer and law professor. His major areas of interest include intellectual property, civil dispute resolution, and rights of children. John is licensed to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the Montana Supreme Court, the Colorado Supreme Court as well as numerous federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court.

He has been member of LAWASIA for more almost thirty years and has been a regular speaker at Law Conferences, most recently at the Children's Right Conference in Sapporo. John has also served as a visiting Professor of Law to Dokkyo University, visiting Lecturer to Waseda University (both in Japan) and visiting Professor of Law at Vermont Law School. He is currently a Professor of Law at Loyola Law School in Los Angeles where he is actively involved in coaching several moot court teams, including its LAWASIA Moot Team. In order to avoid any possible conflict of interest, he has agreed not to discuss the issues raised in this year's Problem with the members of the Loyola-LA team until the team has submitted its written pleadings (Memorials). At that point, *all teams* will have access to his analysis of the Problem. The Moot's General Director is aware of this situation and, having confidence in Professor McDermott's honesty and integrity, has approved this arrangement.