

# NATIONAL CATHOLIC FORENSIC LEAGUE

## Original Oratory Master Ballot

Judge Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Round: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_



**Time Limit:**

- Maximum - 10 minutes.
- If the speaker goes over a 30 second grace period, that contestant must not be awarded first place.
- No minimum time.

**Rules of Procedure:**

- The speaker should be expected to discuss with a degree of originality, and in an interesting manner, the topic chosen.
- The speakers should be given wide latitude in the ideas they express, but they should be held closely accountable for the manner in which they are expressed.
- Speakers must not be penalized for expressing views with which the judge happens to disagree.
- It is suggested, but not obligatory, that the topic be a subject of contemporary significance.
- The speech must be one that has been composed by the student delivering it.
- The speech must be memorized. If the speaker refers to prepared notes of any kind or a script during the presentation, the speaker will be disqualified.
- The number of words quoted from authors other than the contestant must not exceed 150. Extensive paraphrasing of other sources is prohibited and constitutes grounds for disqualification.
- Visual and audio-visual aids are not permitted. No properties or costumes of any kind may be used. Using “properties” means manipulating articles of clothing or objects to enhance the performance. Speakers using properties and/or wearing costumes will be disqualified.
- Only the performer’s feet may touch the ground.

***Any questions regarding rules infringement should be brought to the attention of the Tabulation Room Staff immediately after the round and not to the student.***

*Please list competitors in speaking order (not rank order).*

Speaking Order	Code #	Student Name	Title	Rank
1)	_____	_____	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
4)	_____	_____	_____	_____
5)	_____	_____	_____	_____
6)	_____	_____	_____	_____
7)	_____	_____	_____	_____