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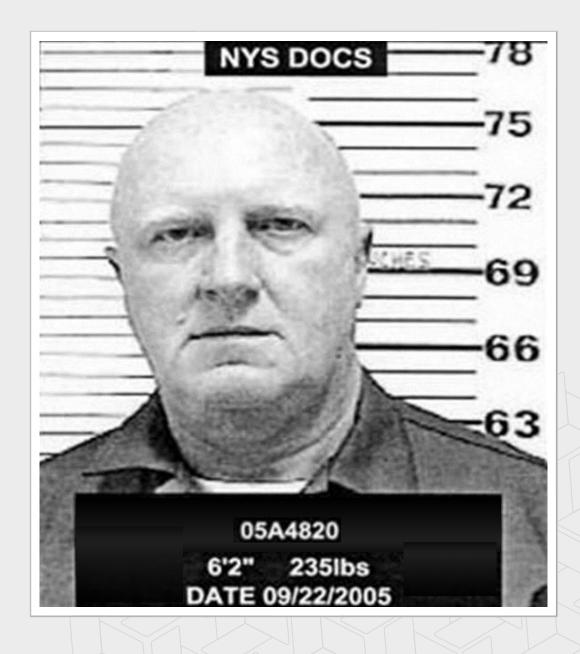


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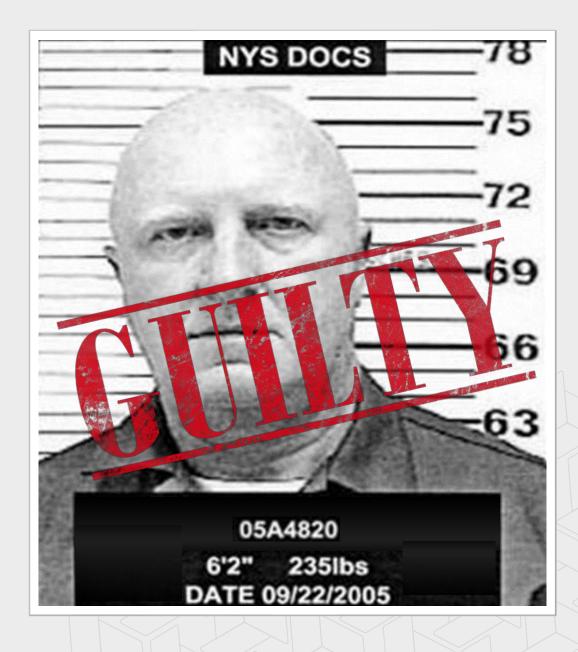


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# **Tap Into Emotions and Feelings**

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I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

Maya Angelou

American Poet

# **Understanding Visual Argument**

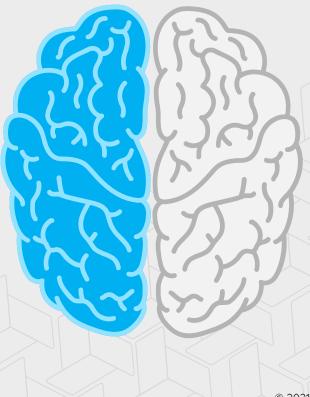
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# 70% of all our sensory receptors are in our eyes



#### 50% of our brain is involved in visual processing



http://neomam.com/interactive/13reasons/; Merieb, E. N. & Hoehn, K. (2007). Human Anatomy & Physiology 7th Edition, Pearson International Edition; http://antranik.org/the-eye-and-vision/

#### **Do You React the Same Way?**

# Cat

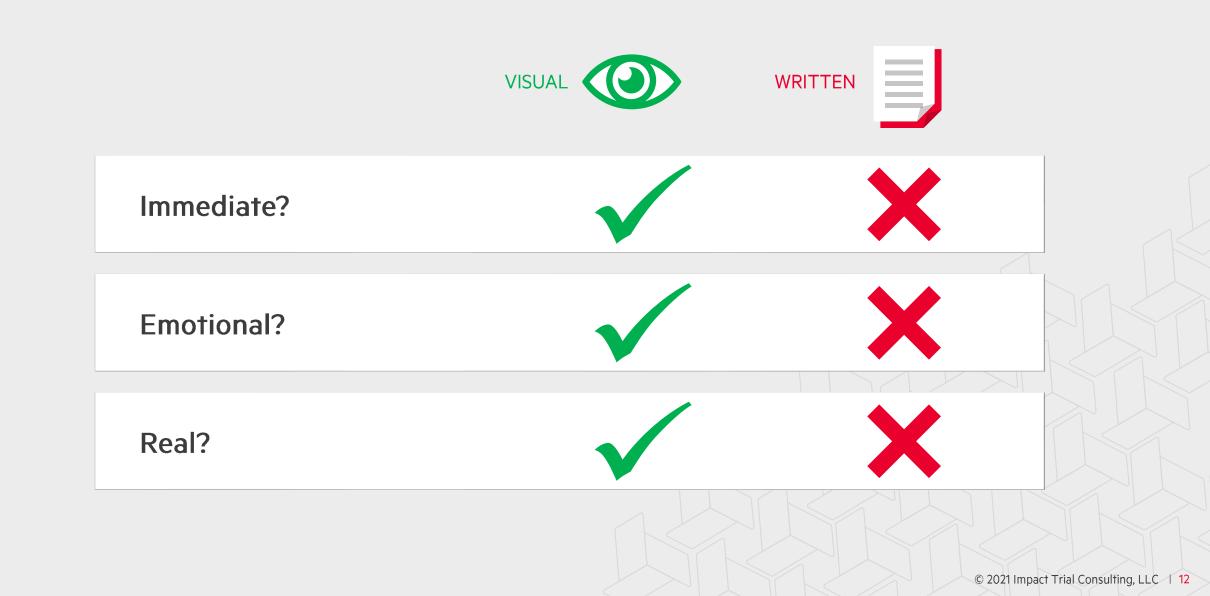


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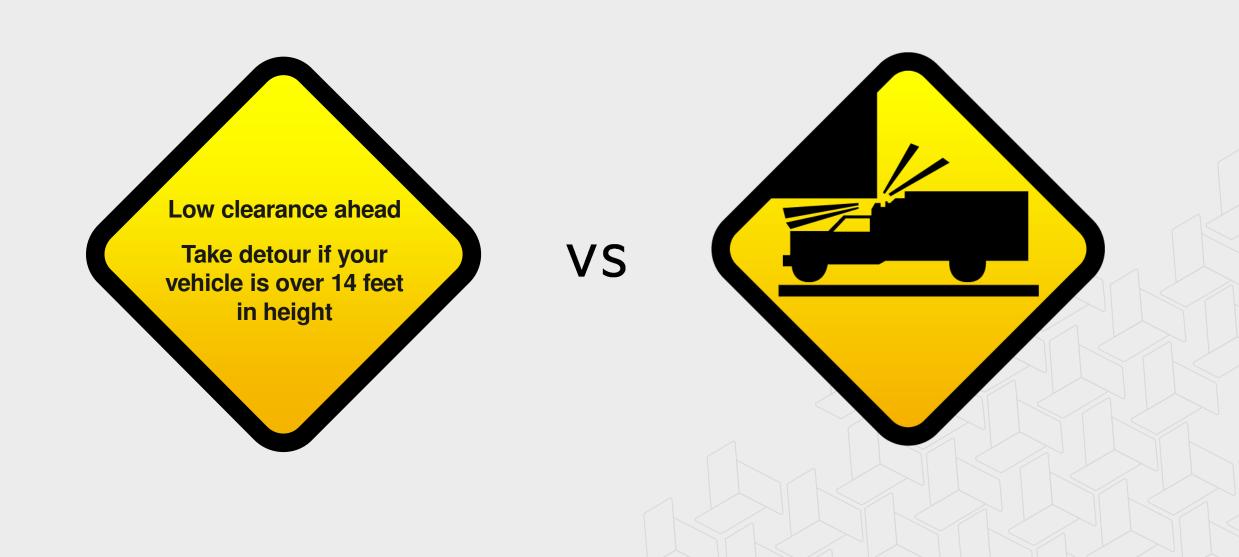
# Dog



#### **Visual Communication Differs From Written**

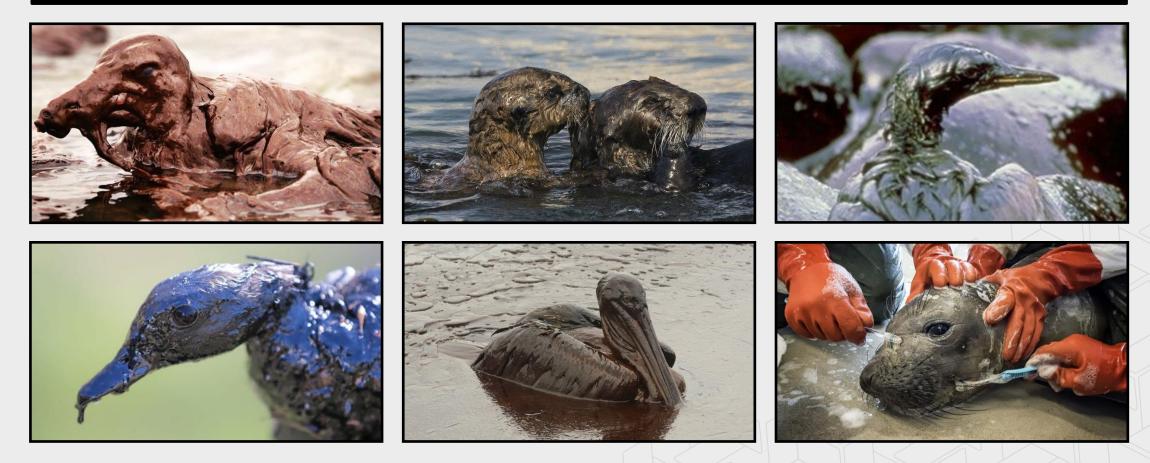


#### Visual Communication Is Immediate



#### Visual Communication Is Emotional

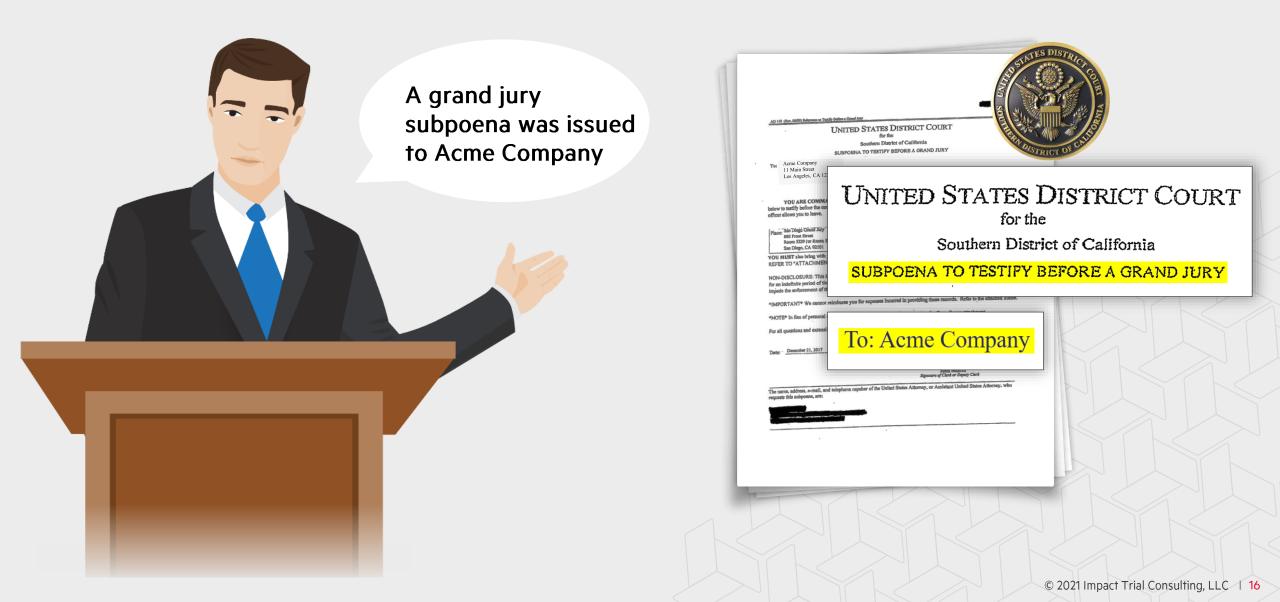
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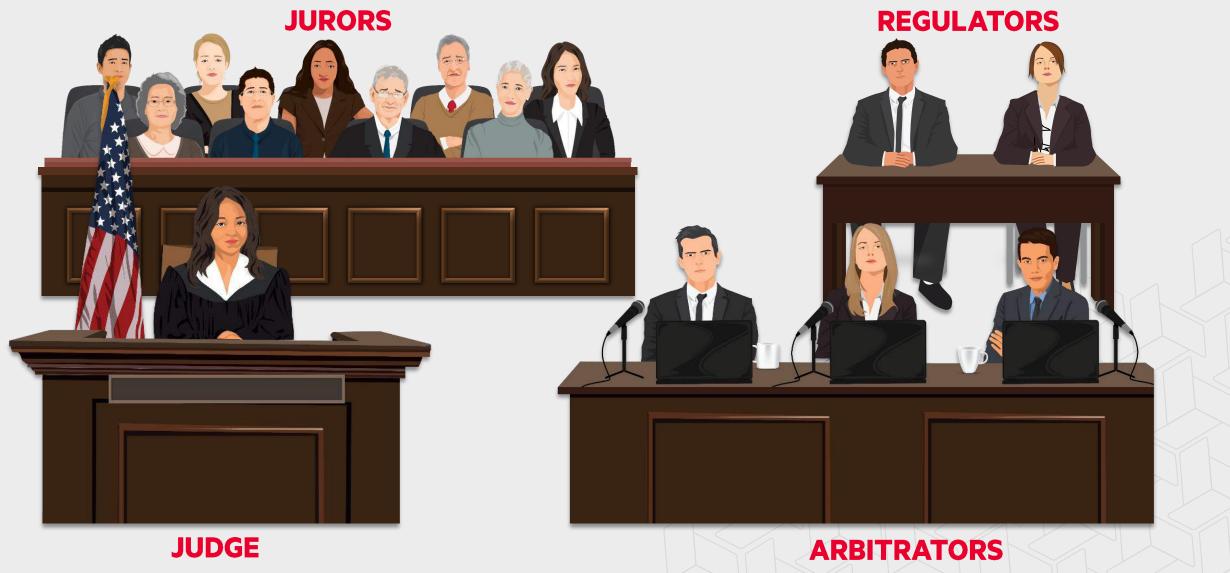
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#### Visual Argument Works on Judges, Jurors, Arbitrators and Regulators

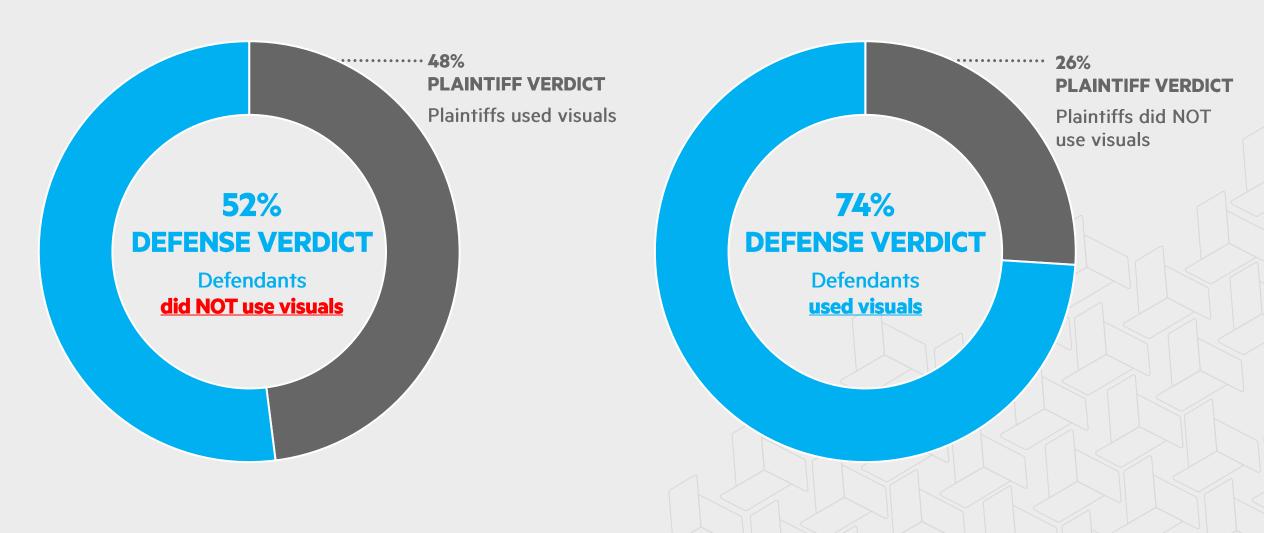


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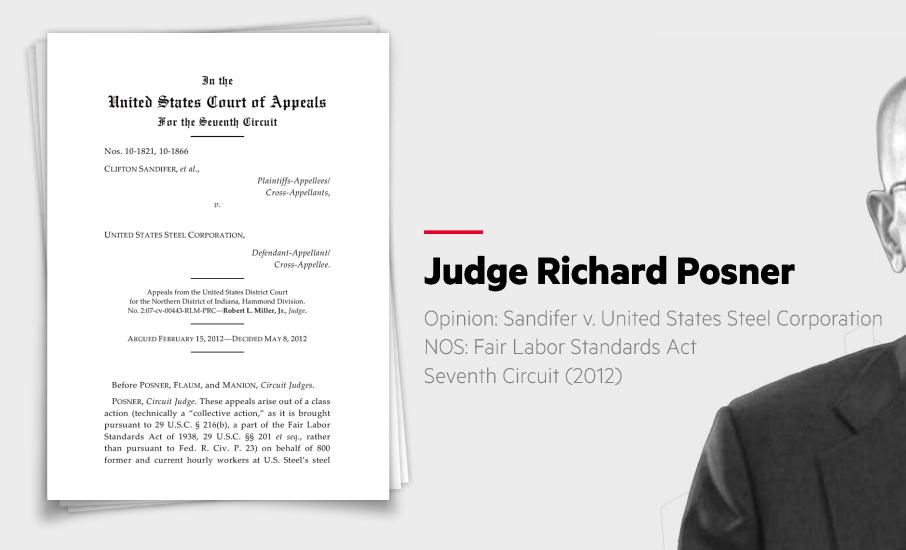
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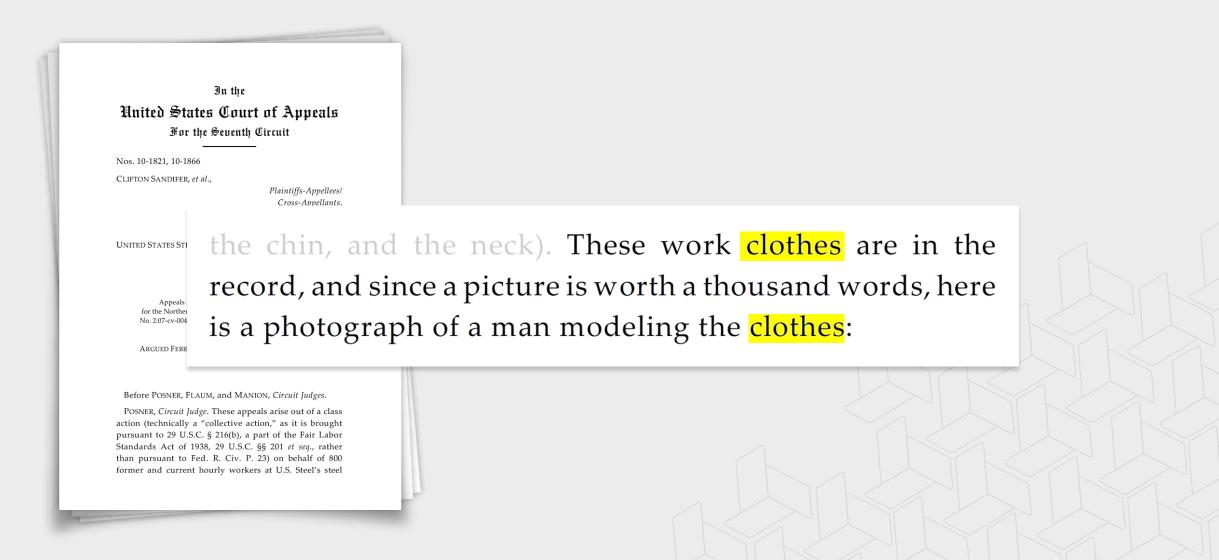
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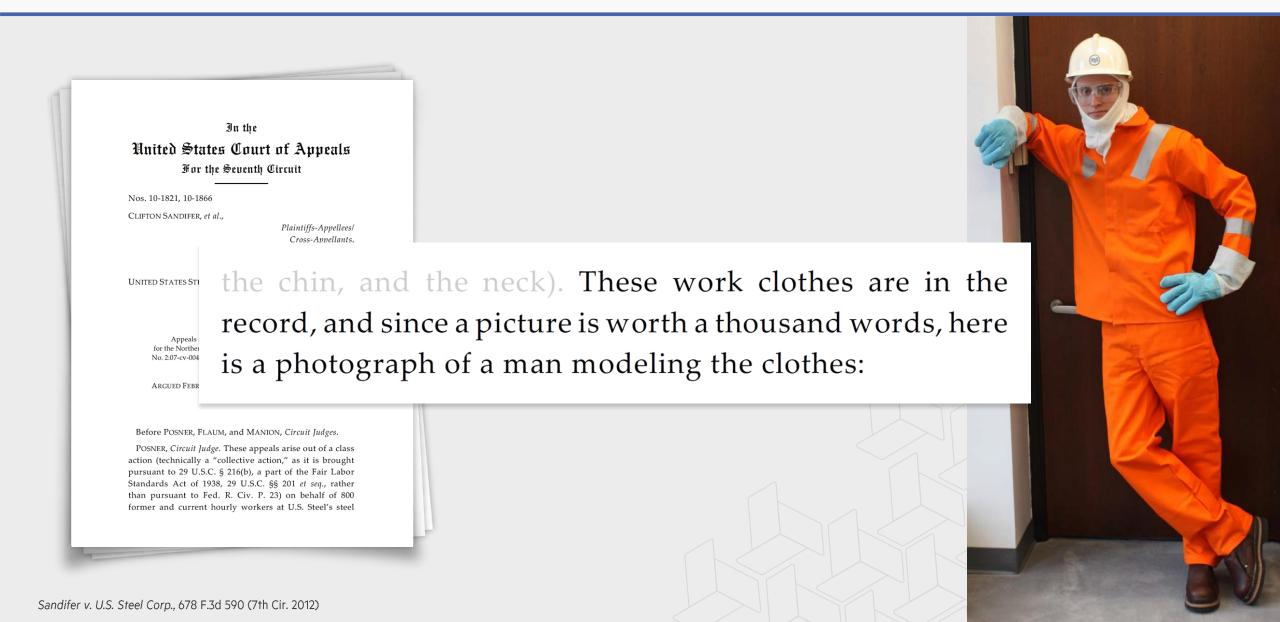


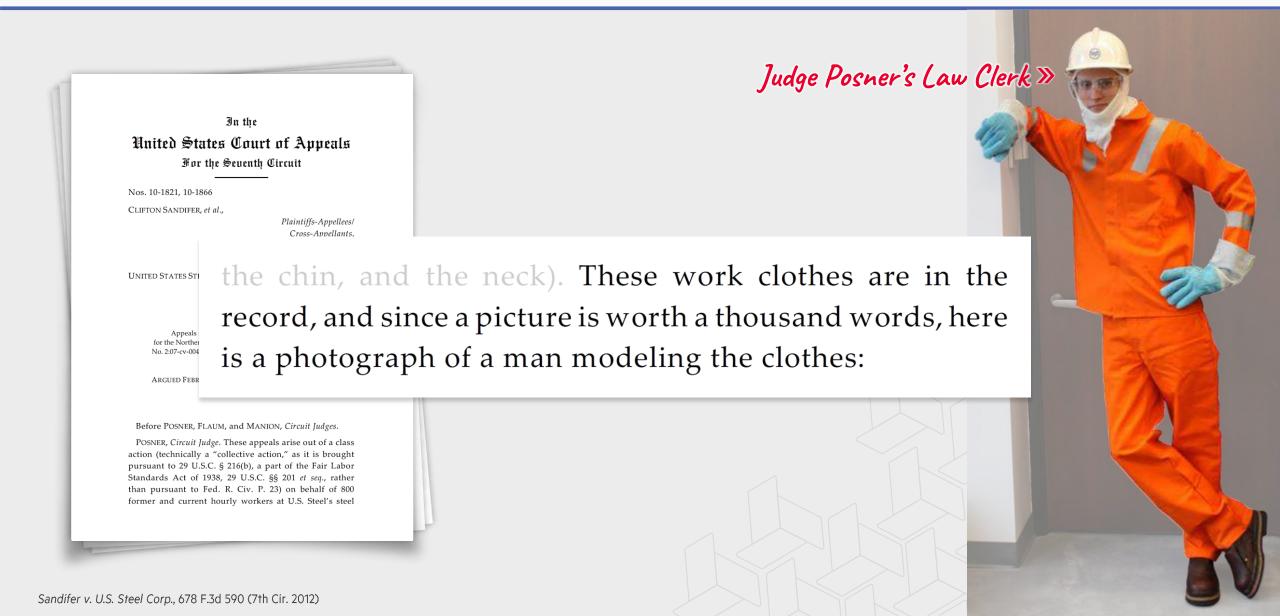
#### Judges Make Visual Arguments Too: Clothing or Safety Equipment?

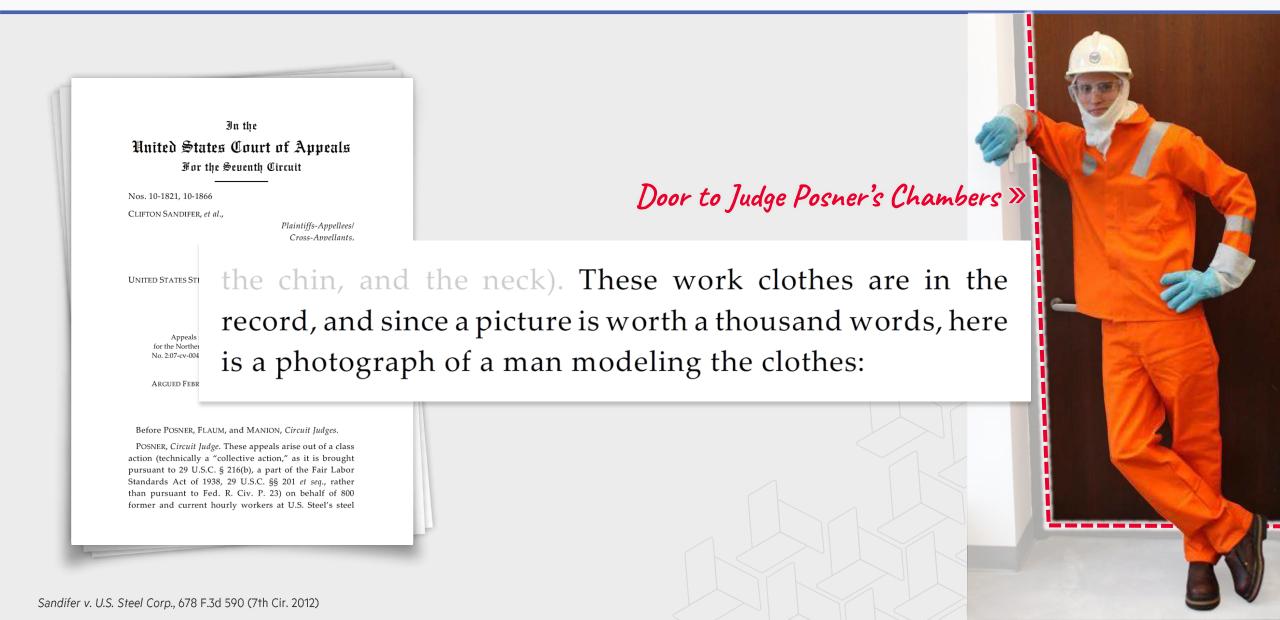


Sandifer v. U.S. Steel Corp., 678 F.3d 590 (7th Cir. 2012)











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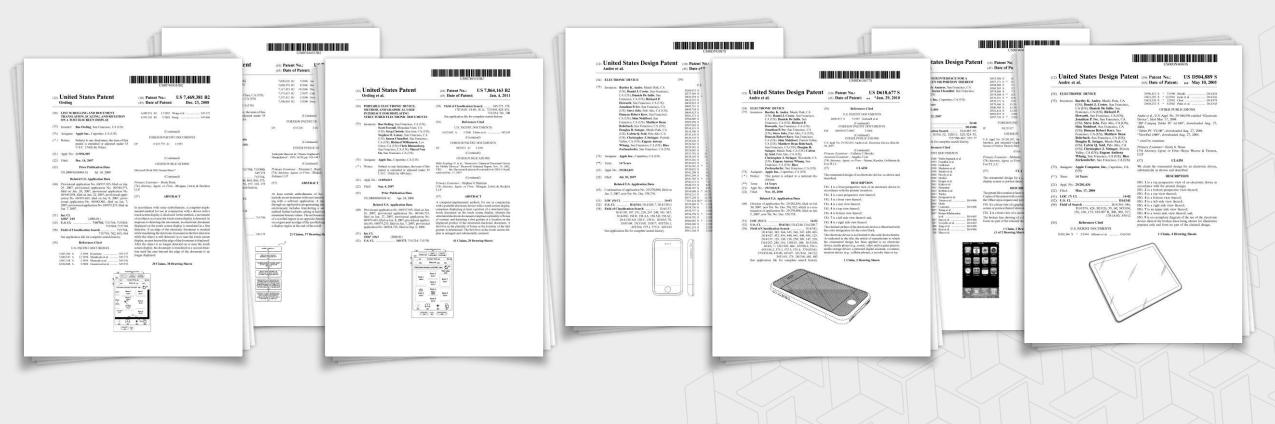
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#### Apple Inc. v. Samsung Electronics Co., LTD

#### What have you been told? [The case is about copying]

#### **Technical Patents**

#### **Design Patents**





#### What do you see?

#### What do you feel?

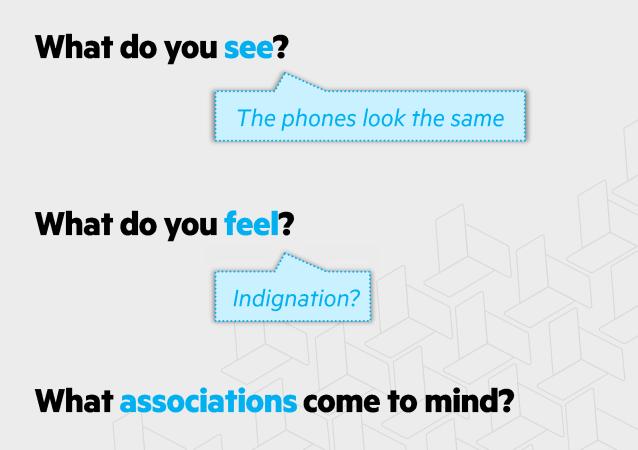
#### What associations come to mind?



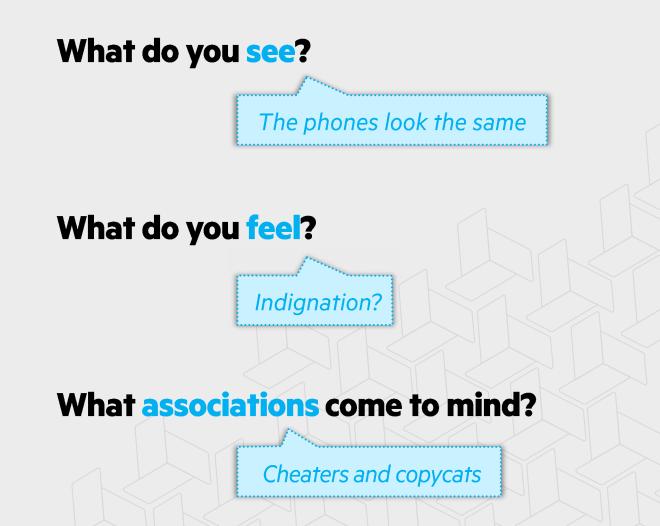
# What do you see? The phones look the same What do you feel?

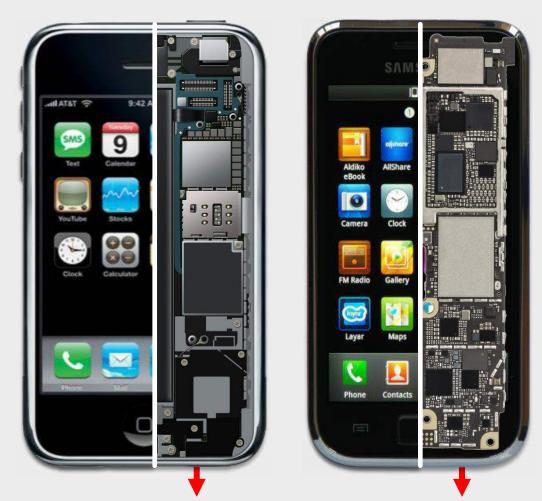
#### What associations come to mind?











What if the claims also relate to what you cannot see?



#### Apple Inc. v. Samsung Electronics Co., LTD

# The New York Eimes

"Jury Awards \$1 Billion to Apple in Samsung Patent Case"

- The New York Times, 5/12/2012

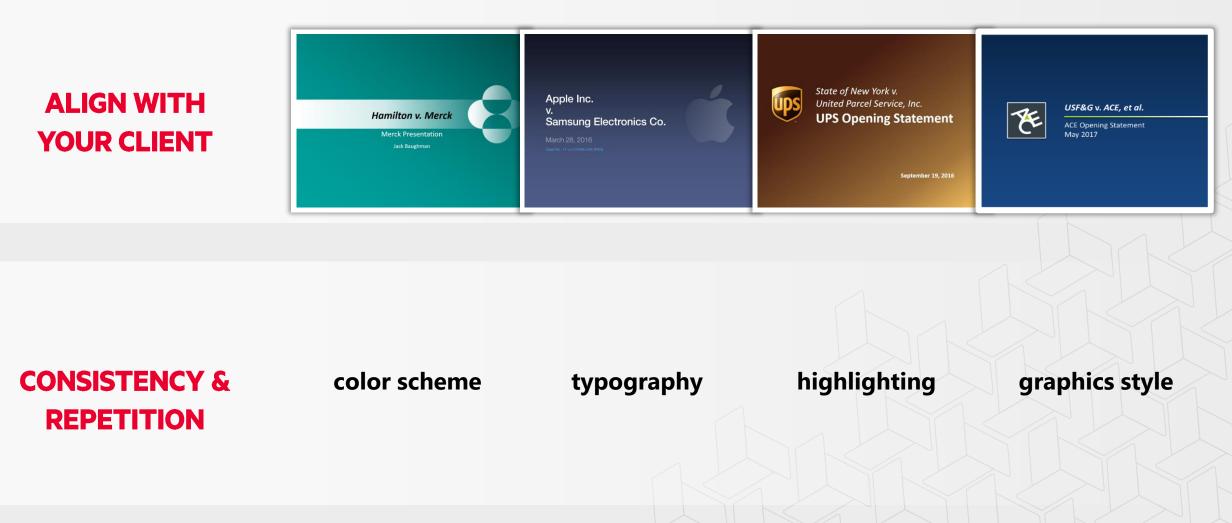




# Visual Argument Basic Techniques

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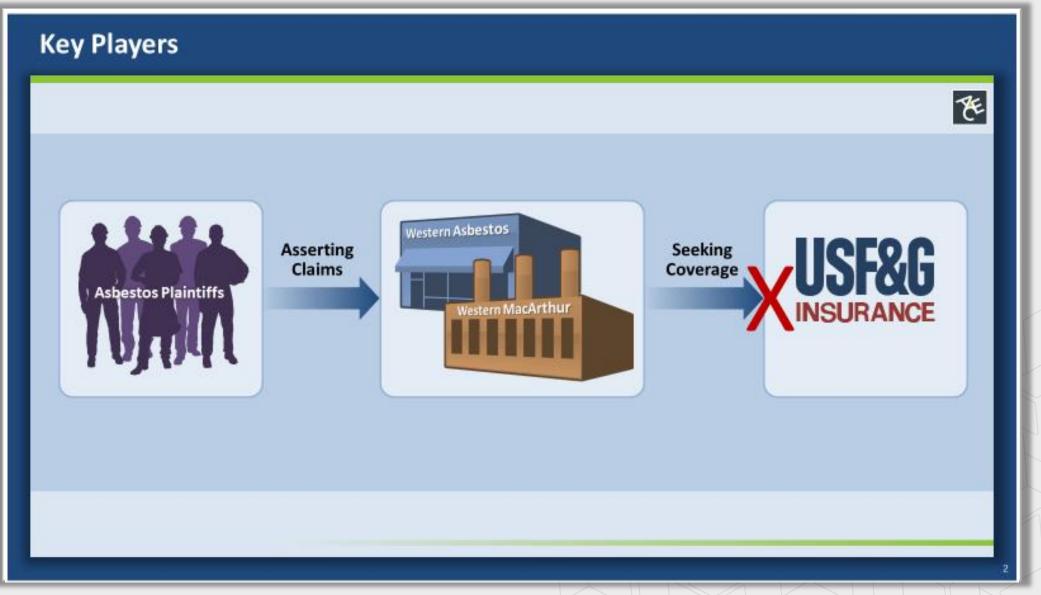
#### Align With Your Client's Colors and Style



#### **Consistent Look and Feel**



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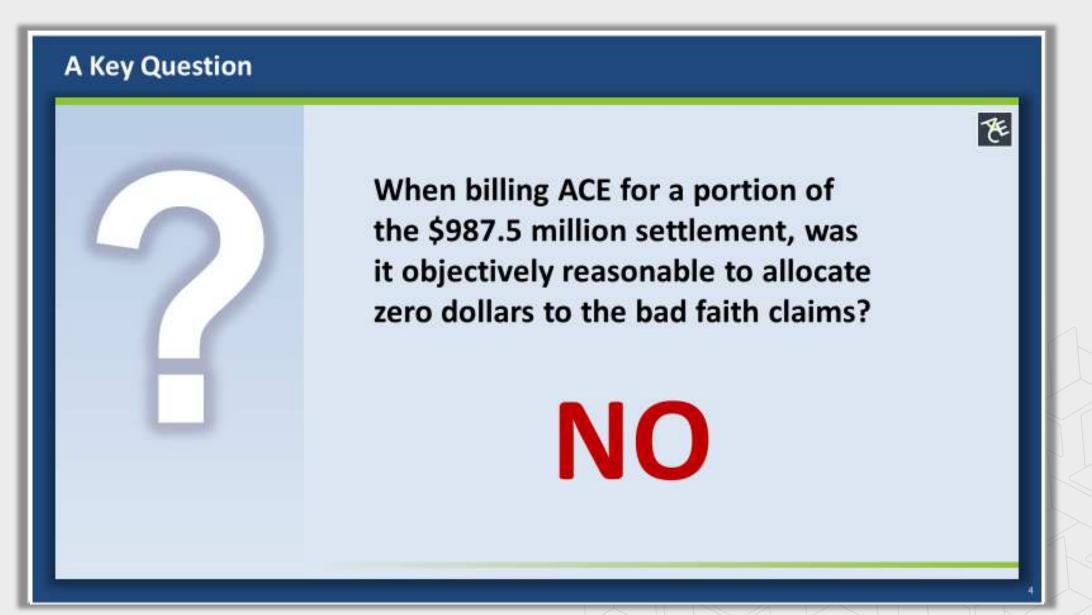


- An insurance company has a duty to defend people covered by a policy
- It must hire a lawyer to defend people covered by the policy if they get sued
- This applies <u>even if</u> there is only the <u>potential</u> that the claim is covered

Wrongful Refusal to Defend = Bad Faith

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#### **Consistent Look and Feel**



# Color

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# **Color Imparts Meaning**



#### (remember, color psychology is different across cultures)

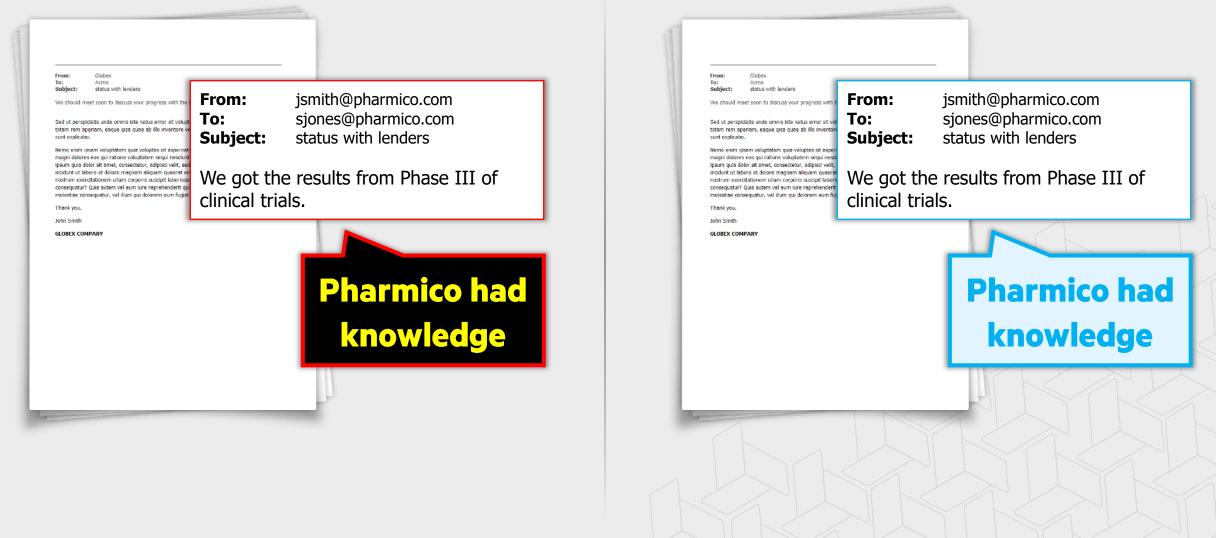
# **Color Psychology**



# What Do These Colors Suggest?



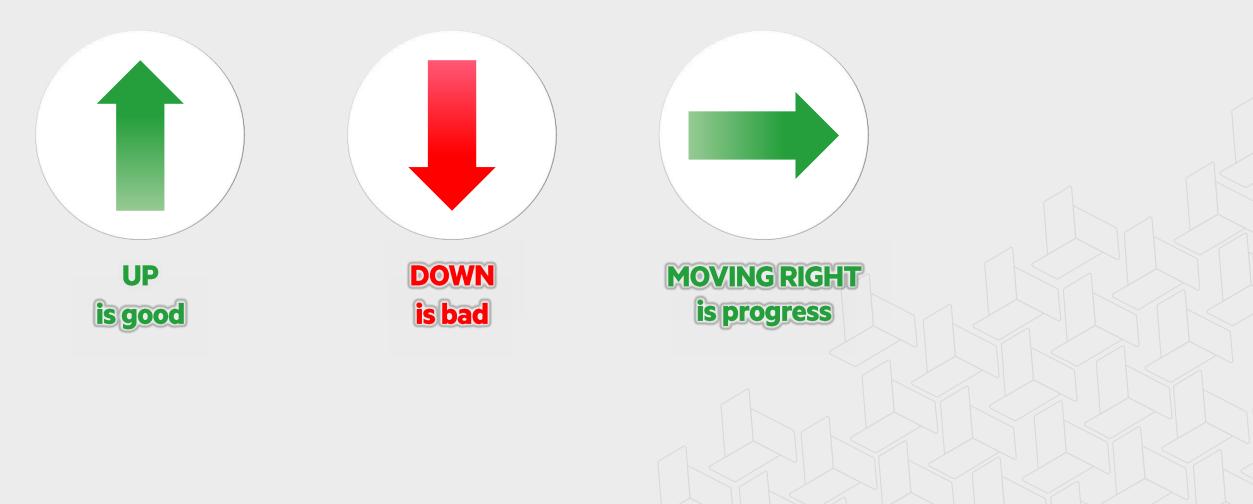
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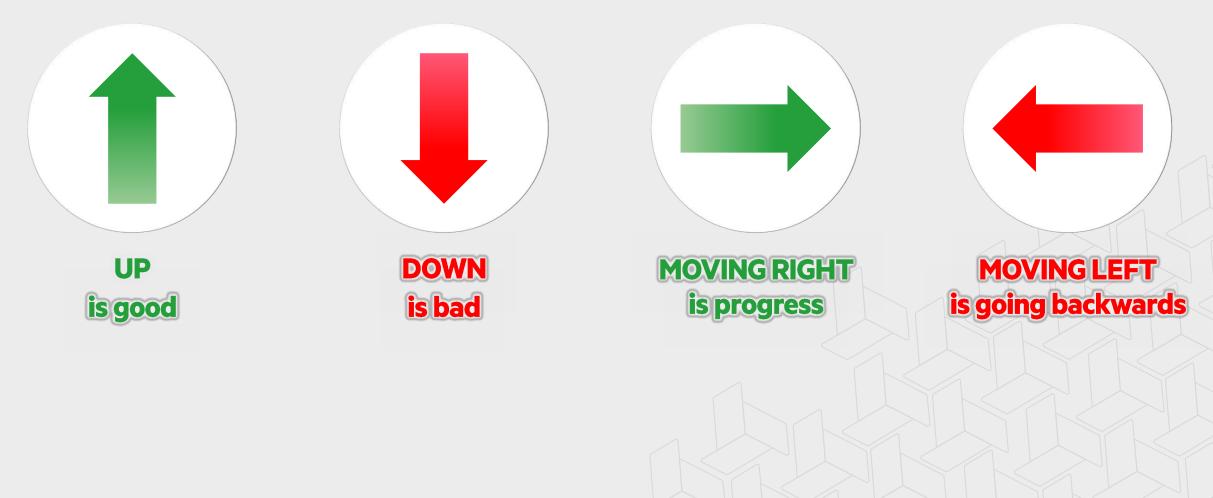


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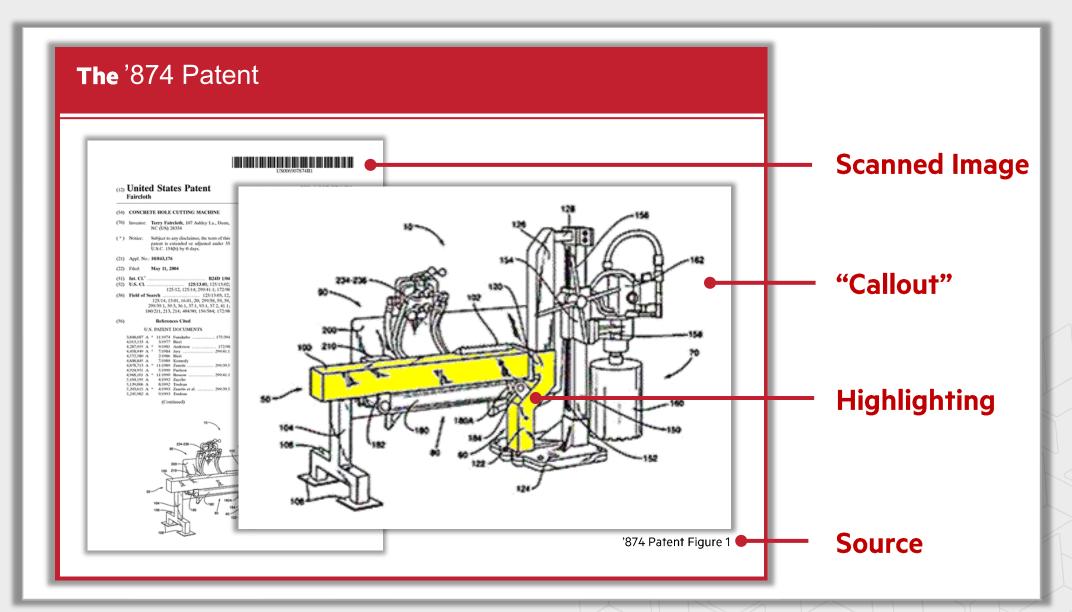




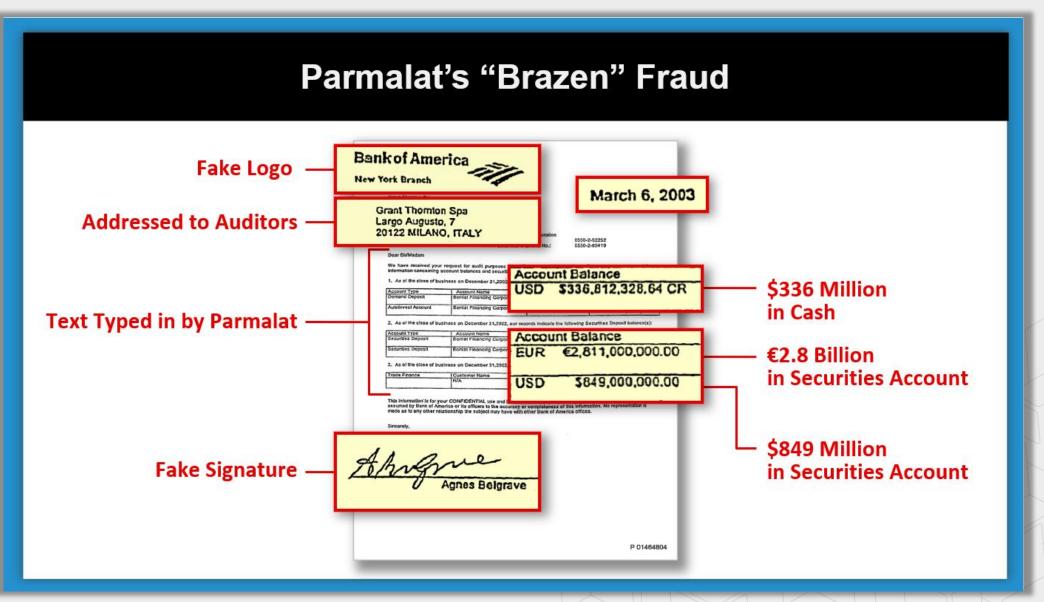
# **Documents**

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# The Anatomy of a Callout



# **Example of a Callout**



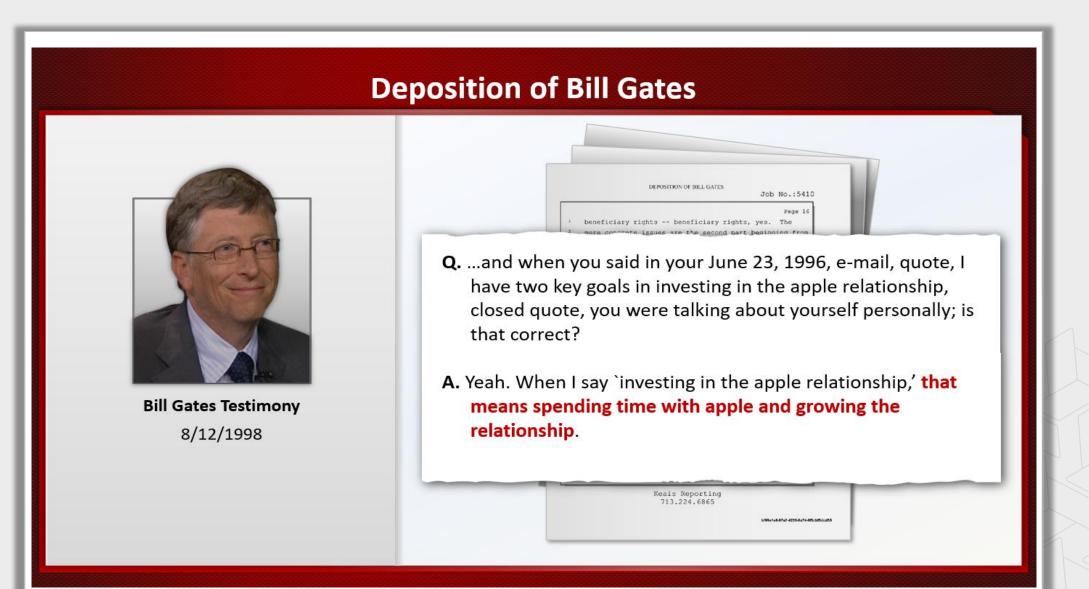
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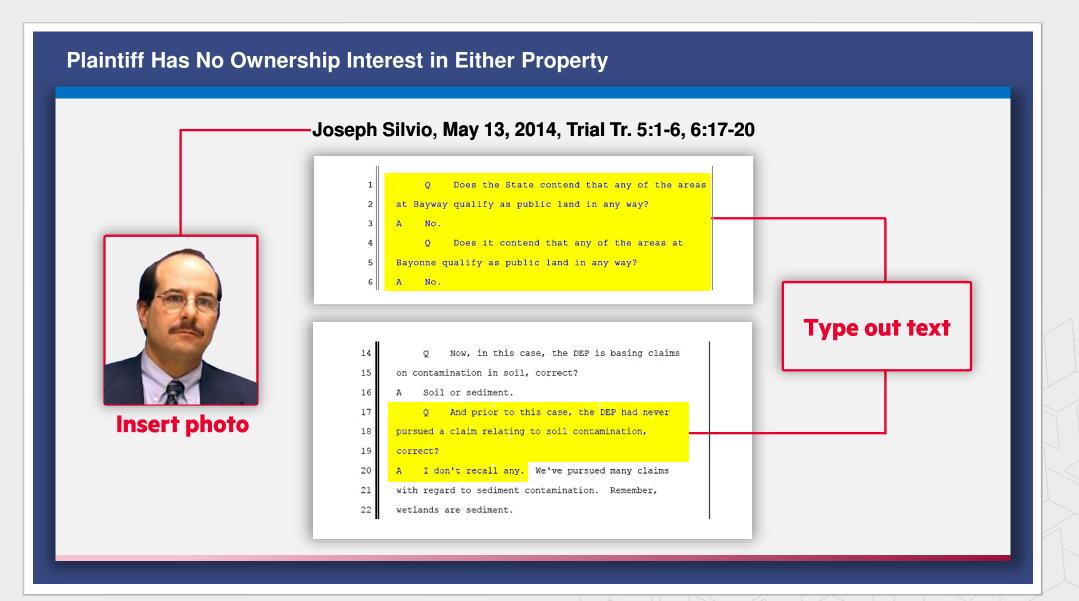
# **Deposition Transcripts**



# **Transcripts: Wrong Way**

#### Plaintiff Has No Ownership Interest in Either Property Joseph Silvio, May 13, 2014, Trial Tr. 5:1-6, 6:17-20 Silvio - Cross/Baughman Silvio - Cross 182 Answer: We would for settlement working with Q Does the State contend that any of the areas cooperative responsible parties generally use a at Bayway qualify as public land in any way? delineation to a remedial standard instead of a А No. predischarge condition. Q Does it contend that any of the areas at Do you see that? Bayonne qualify as public land in any way? A Yes. A No. Q That was your testimony in the MTBE case? MR. BAUGHMAN: Okay. Now, if we could put up A It was, and I think it's pretty much consistent the definition of the Spill Act. I guess we never with what I've been saying. resolved the issue of which one to use, so Mr. --Q Okay. Now, let me talk about one specific 10 MR. KANNER: If we could use the original 11 type of case. one, that would be fine. 11 12 MR. BAUGHMAN: You can take that down, 12 MR. BAUGHMAN: I'm agreeing. Mr. Ferguson Mr. Stevenson. 13 13 THE COURT: This is the 4103? Q Now, in this case, the DEP is basing claims 14 14 MR. BAUGHMAN: Yes. Put up 4103. on contamination in soil, correct? 15 MR. FERGUSON : (Complies.) 15 16 A Soil or sediment. BY MR. BAUGHMAN: 16 Q And prior to this case, the DEP had never 1.7 17 Q Page seven. pursued a claim relating to soil contamination, 18 18 A I -- I don't know if I -- it must be here correct? 19 19 somewhere A I don't recall any. We've pursued many claims 20 Q I'll hand out a copy. Mr. Sacco. 20 21 A Oh, thank you. 21 with regard to sediment contamination. Remember, 22 wetlands are sediment. 22 0 No. this is -- we're not using that. 23 Q Let me show you, then, your deposition in 23 A We're good. 24 Q And I just want to look at the definition of 24 this case, December 7th, 2005, deposition transcript 25 68, page 68, line 15. You were asked a question: 25 natural resources in the statute. Do you see it, sir?

# **Transcripts: The Correct Way**



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#### Plaintiff Has No Ownership Interest in Either Property



Joseph Silvio

May 13, 2014 Trial Tr. 5:1-6, 6:17-20 Q. Does the State contend that any of the areas at Bayway qualify as public land in any way?

A. No.

Q. Does it contend that any of the areas at Bayonne qualify as public land in any way?

A. No.

Q. And prior to this case, the DEP had never pursued a claim relating to soil contamination, correct?

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A. I don't recall any.

# **Comparing Transcripts**

# No Title Insurance = No Deal



#### Mitch Lam Director 01/15/14 305:15-25

- Q. ... did anyone ever tell you that the restructuring with Acme would be impossible because of the title insurance issue?
- A. Nobody had to tell us. We knew that without <u>title insurance</u>, we were not going to be able to close this.



#### **Justin Neuhaus Director** 11/22/13 70:21-74:5

Q. ... What was your title insurance policy?

# A. All real estate loans are to be supported with <u>title insurance</u>.



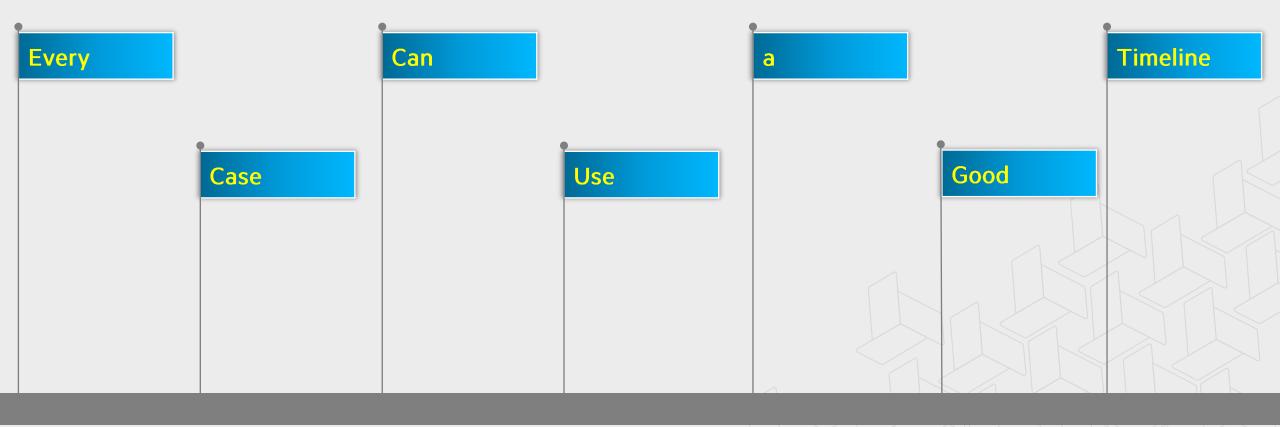
**Juliana Paige Vice President** 03/19/14 131:17-21

- Q. ... Would the bank have agreed to consummate a restructuring of any loan on property that was **not covered** by <u>title insurance</u>?
- A. I don't believe so, no.

# Timelines

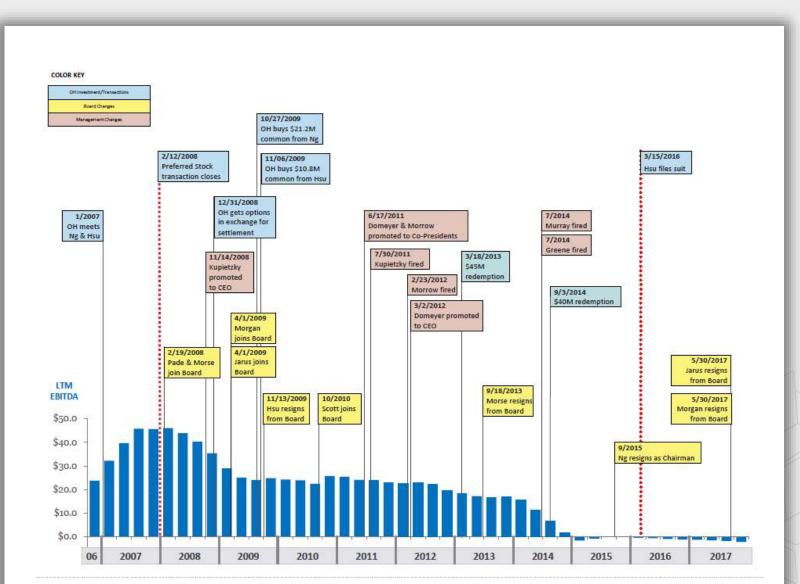
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### **Timelines Are Important**

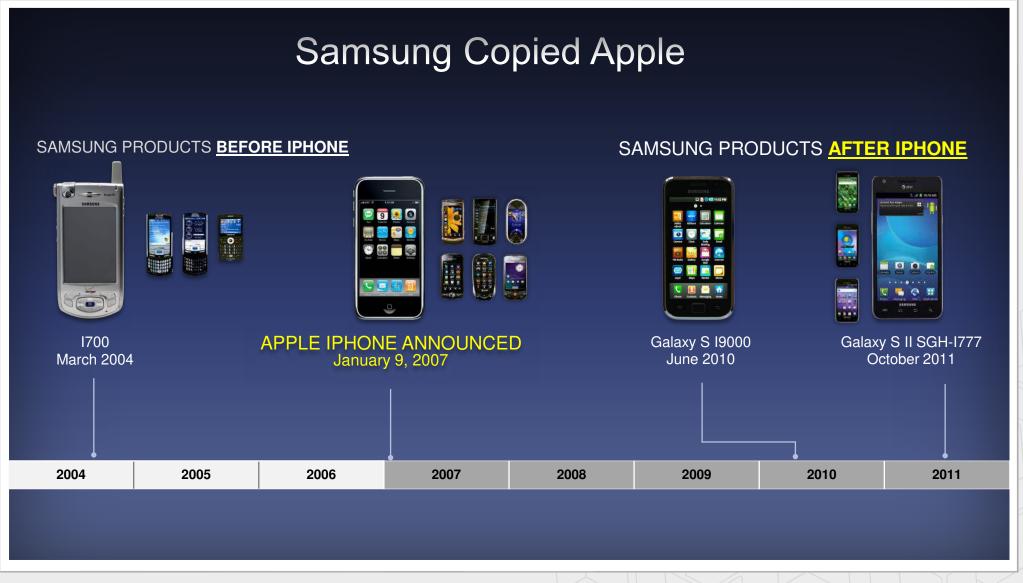


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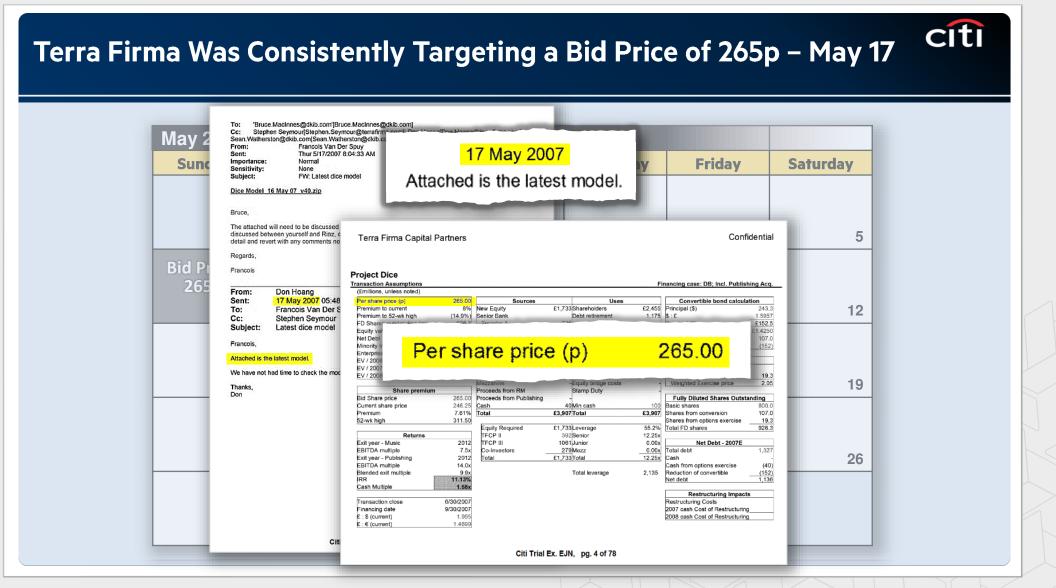
# **Beware of Overly Complicated Timelines**



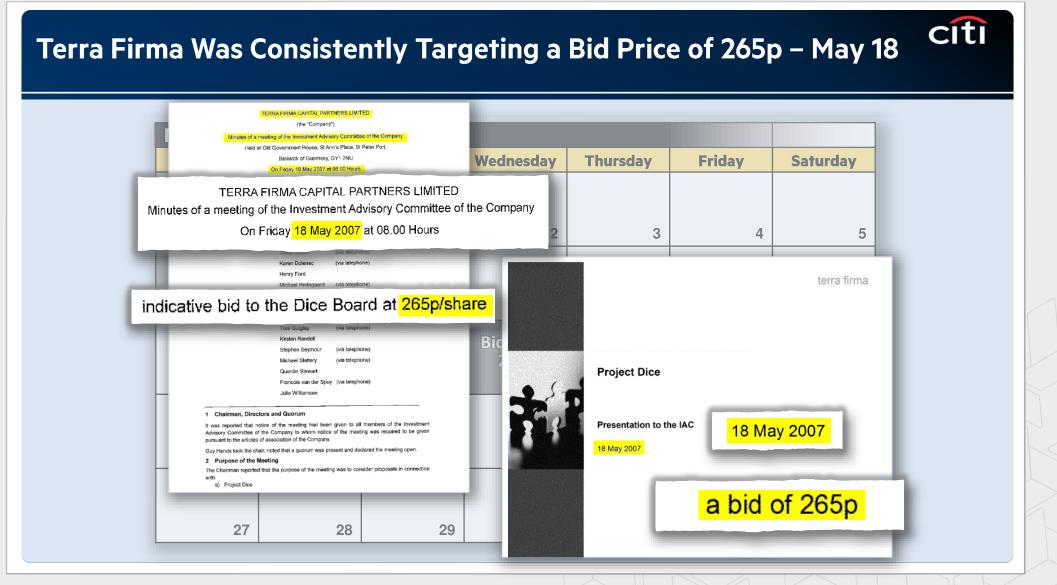
### **Timelines Should Make a Clear Point**



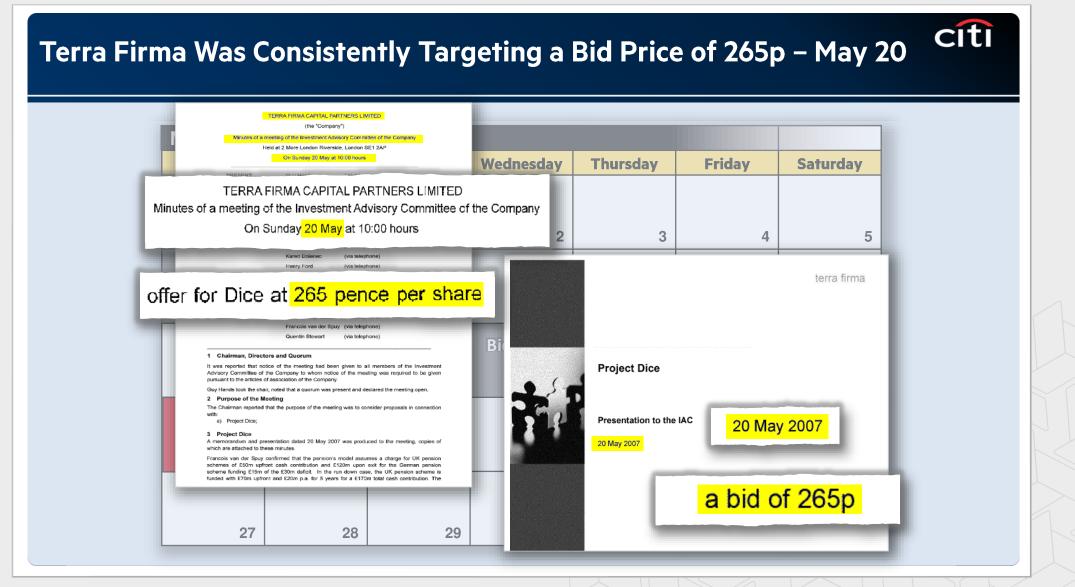
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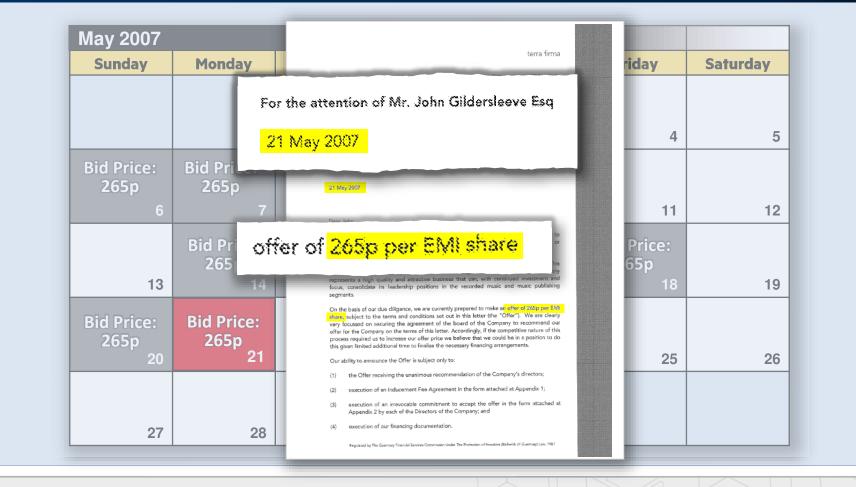


# Use Timelines to Walk through Your Evidence



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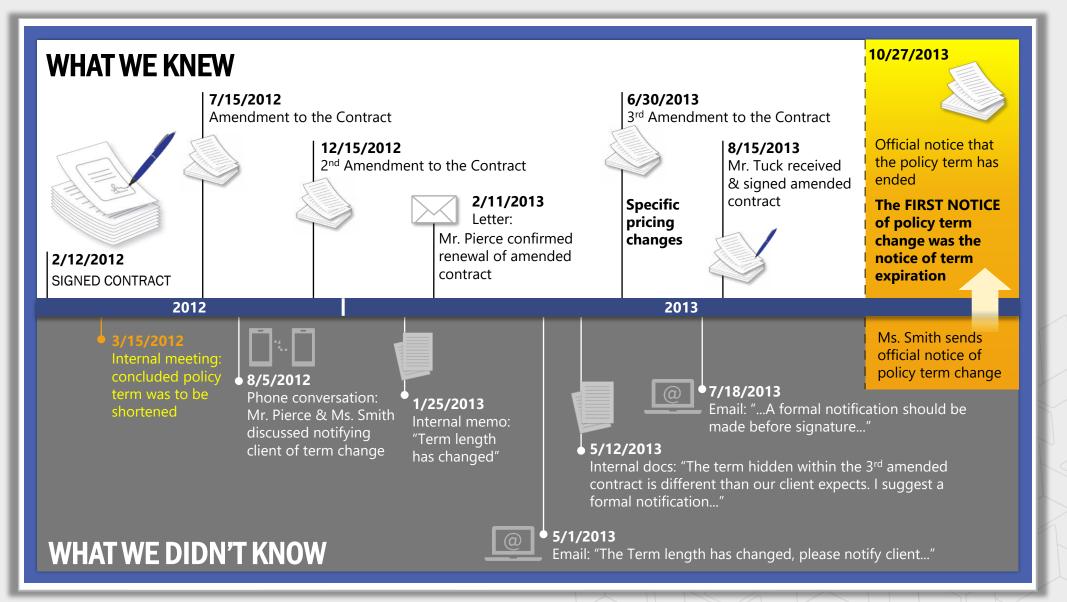
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### Terra Firma Was Consistently Targeting a Bid Price of 265p

| May 2007           |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |          |
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| Sunday             | Monday             | Tuesday            | Wednesday          | Thursday           | Friday             | Saturday |
|                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |          |
|                    |                    | 1                  | 2                  | 3                  | 4                  | 5        |
| Bid Price:<br>265p | Bid Price:<br>265p | Bid Price:<br>265p |                    |                    |                    |          |
| 6                  | 7                  | 8                  | 9                  | 10                 | 11                 | 12       |
|                    | Bid Price:<br>265p |          |
| 13                 | 14                 | 15                 | 16                 | 17                 | 18                 | 19       |
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# Use a Bifurcated Timeline to Categorize Information

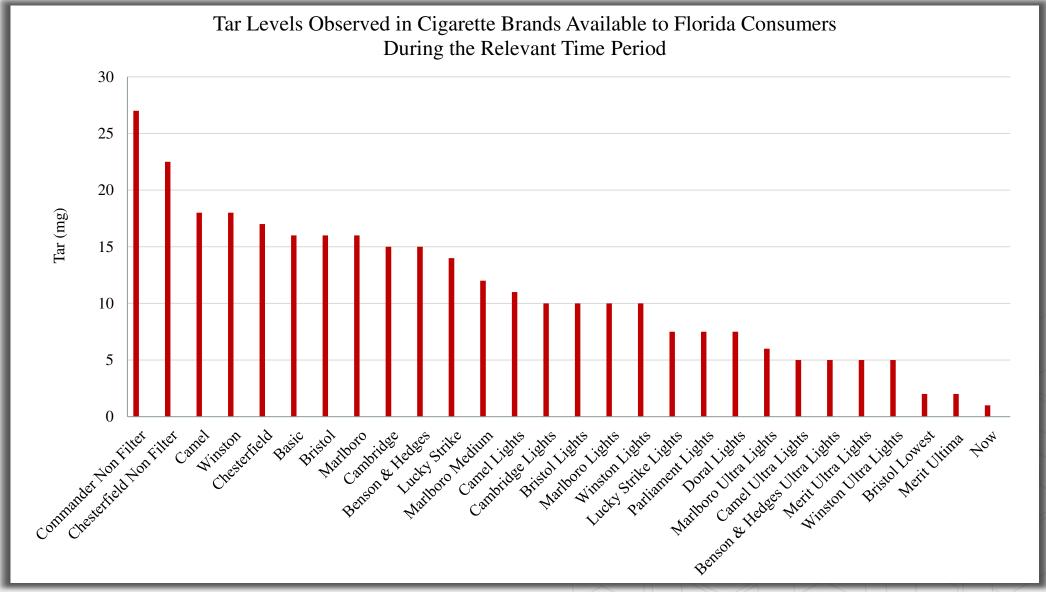


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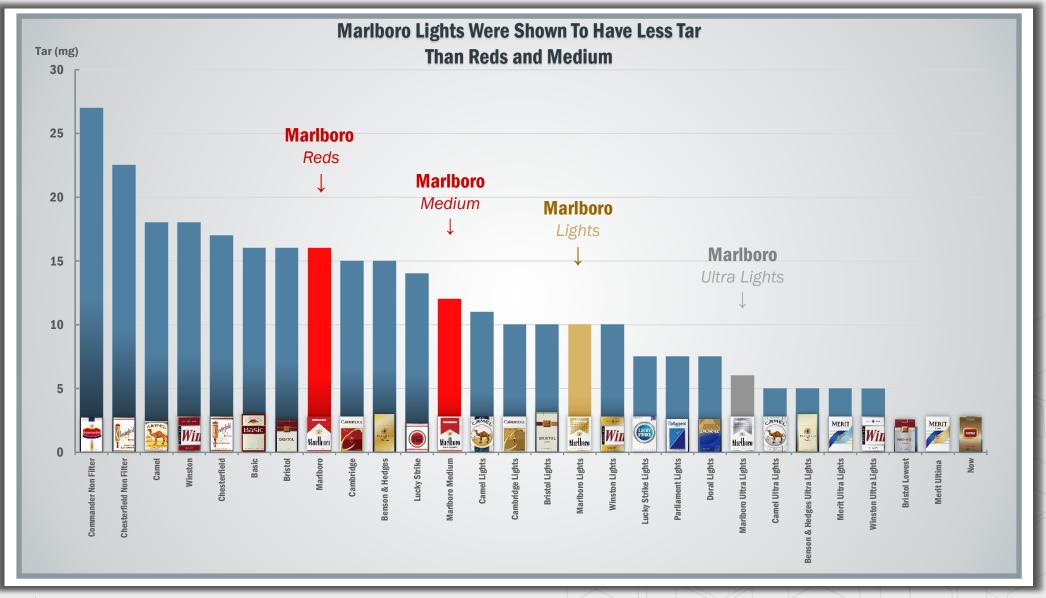
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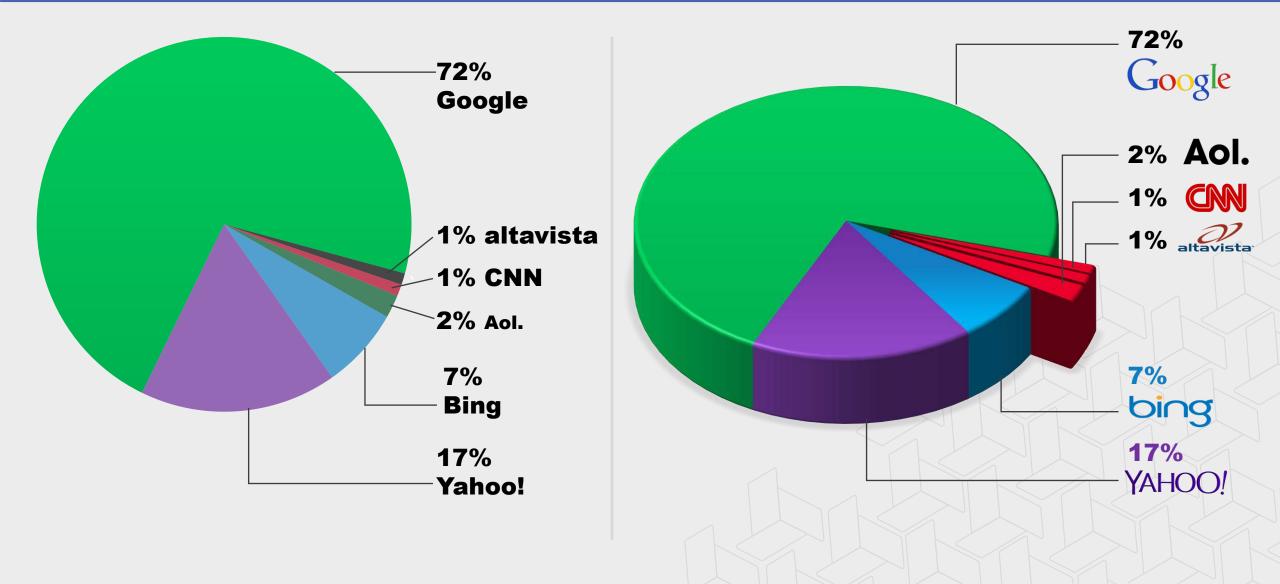
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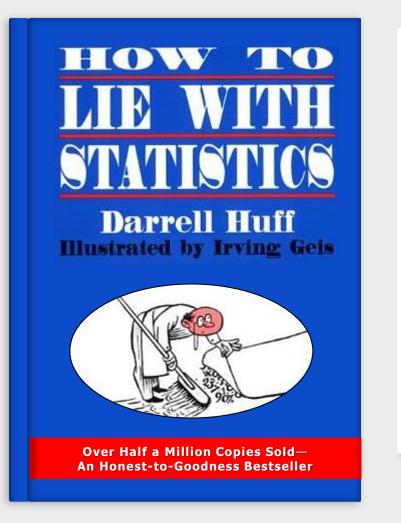
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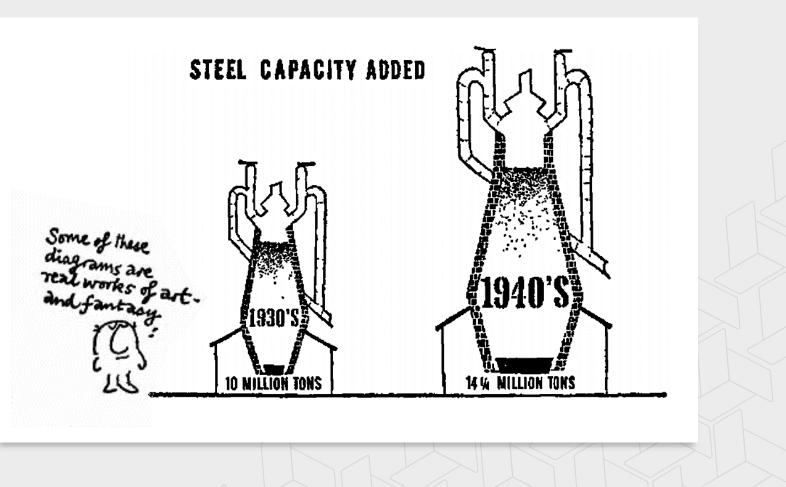


# **Showing Statistics**

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|--------|--|--------------|---|
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| 60,000 |  | 60,000       |   |
| 50,000 |  | 50,000<br>VS |   |
| 40,000 |  | 40,000       |   |
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# **Depicting Change**





# **Depicting Change: A Real Example**

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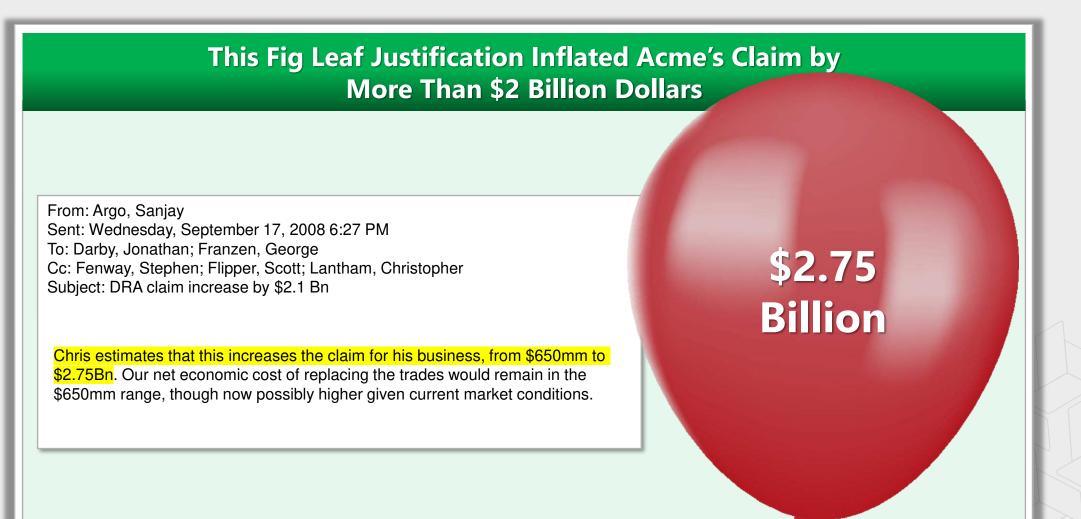
From: Argo, Sanjay Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2008 6:27 PM To: Darby, Jonathan; Franzen, George Cc: Fenway, Stephen; Flipper, Scott; Lantham, Christopher Subject: DRA claim increase by \$2.1 Bn

Chris estimates that this increases the claim for his business, from \$650mm to \$2.75Bn. Our net economic cost of replacing the trades would remain in the \$650mm range, though now possibly higher given current market conditions.

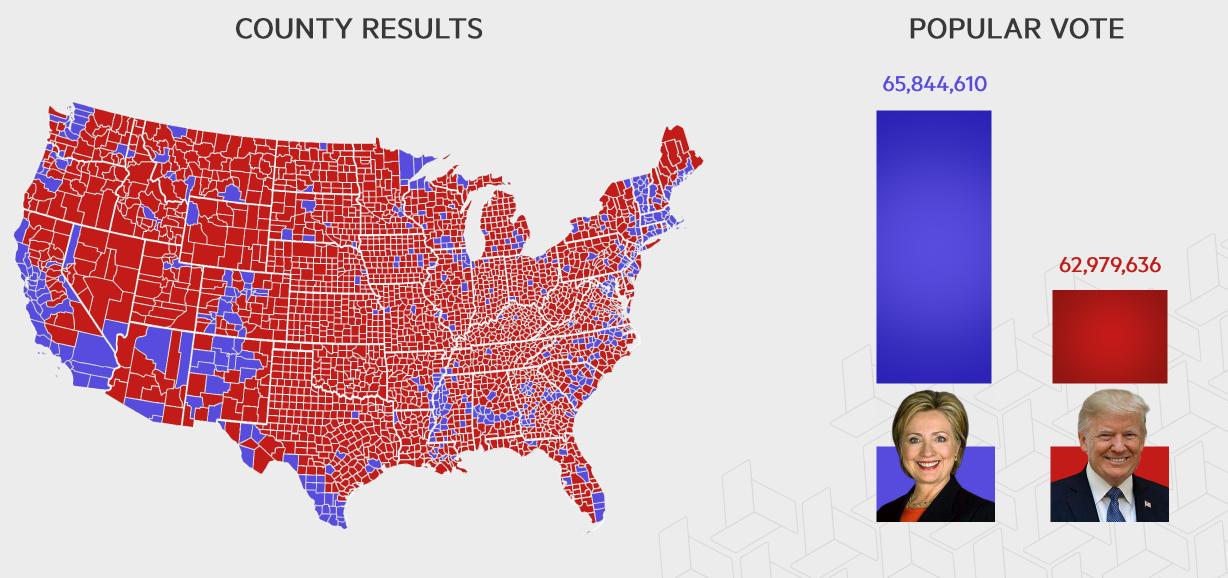
\$650 Million



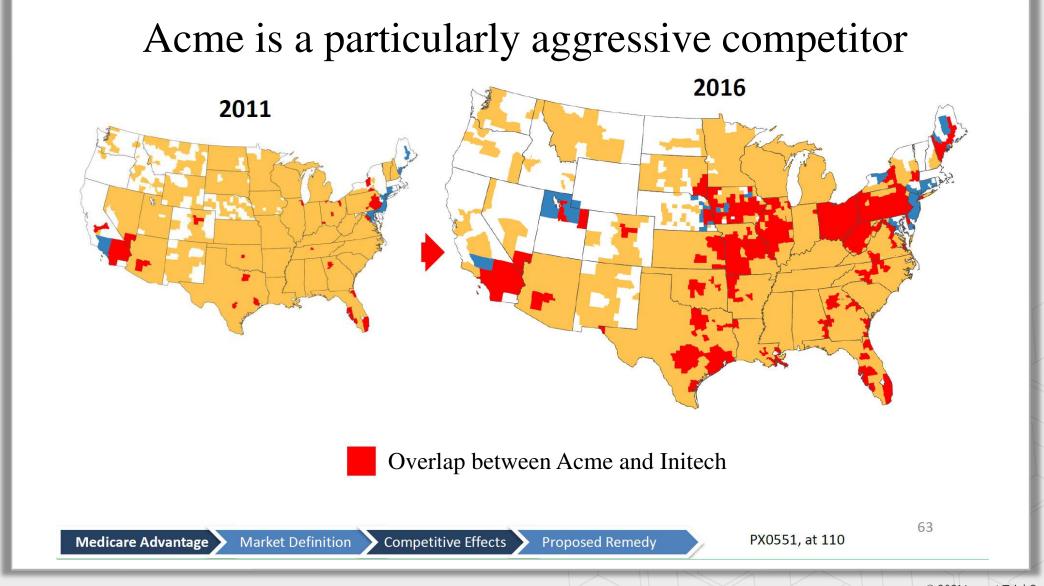
# **Depicting Change: A Real Example**



# Beware of the County Trick



# Depicting Change: A Real Example of the County Trick

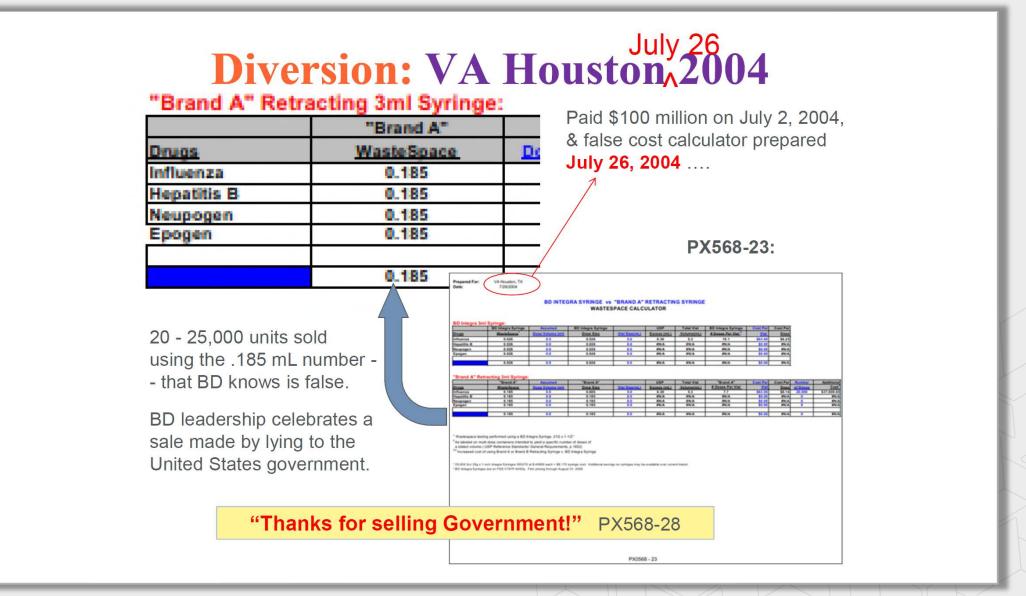


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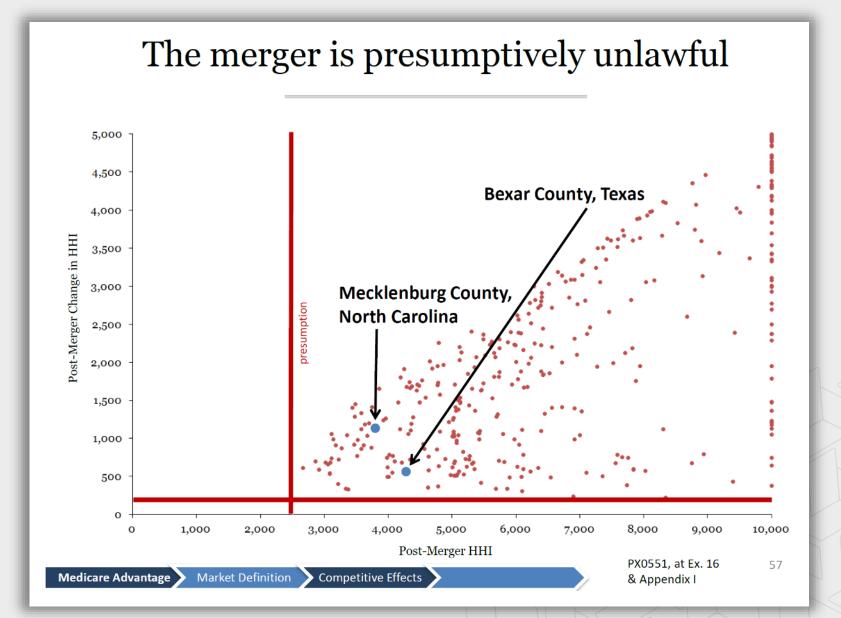
# **Common Mistakes**

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# What Is the Point?



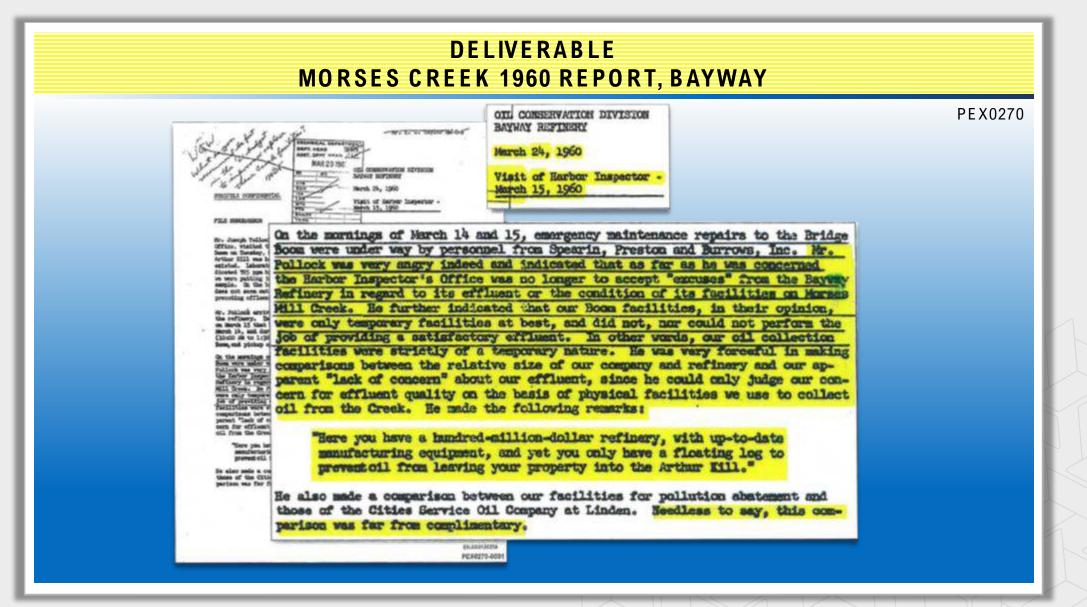
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# **Bad Highlighting**



# The Wall of Text

#### **OVERVIEW** IMPORTANT TAKE AWAYS

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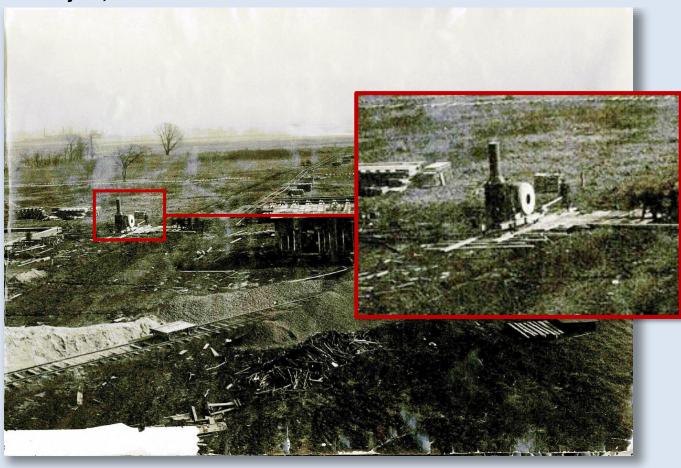
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# The Importance of Physical Modification

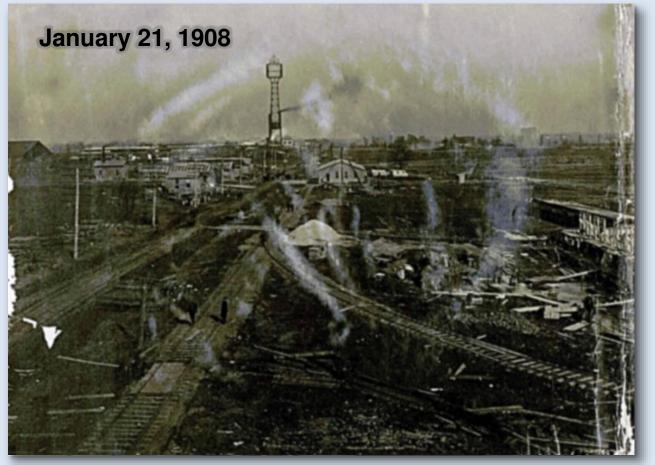
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January 21, 1908: View from Bruzzi Street



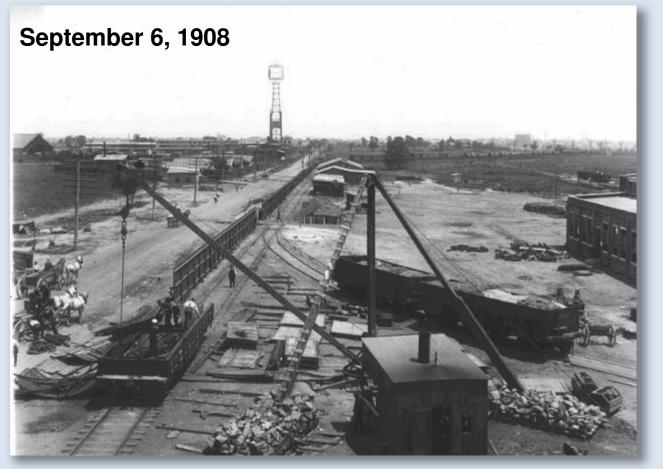
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# **Use Diagraming for Complex Rules**

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### NFL Catch Rule



OFFICIAL PLAYING RULES OF THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE



Roger Goodell, Commissioner

#### FORWARD PASS, BACKWARD PASS, FUMBLE RULE 8

#### SECTION 1 FORWARD PASS ARTICLE 1. DEFINITION. It is a forward pass if:

- (a) the ball initially moves forward (to a point nearer the opponent's goal line) after leaving the passer's hand(s) (b) the ball first strikes the ground, a player, an official, or anything else at a point that is nearer the opponent's goal line than the point at which the ball leaves the passer's hand(s).
- Note: A ball that is intentionally fumbled and goes forward is a forward pass. A ball that is intentionally muffed, and goes forward or backward, is a batted ball (12-5-1-Note).
- Item 1. Forward Movement of Hand. When a player is in control of the ball and is attempting to pass it forward, any intentional
- (a) If, after intentional forward movement of his hand, contact by an opponent materially affects the passer, causing the ball to
- go backward, it is a forward pass, regardless of where the ball strikes the ground, a player, an official, or anything else. (b) It, after an intentional forward movement of his hand, the passer loses possession of the ball during an attempt to bring it back toward his body, it is a fumble.
- (c) If the passer loses possession of the ball while attempting to re-cock his arm, it is a fumble.

ARTICLE 2. LEGAL FORWARD PASS. The offensive team may make one forward pass from behind the line during each down. If the ball, whether in player possession or loose, crosses the line of scrimmage, a forward pass is not permissible, regardless of whether the ball returns behind the line of scrimmage before the pass is thrown.

Item 1. Illegal Passes. Any other forward pass by either team is illegal and is a foul by the passing team, including: (a) A forward pass thrown when the passer is beyond the line of scrimmage.

- Note: It is a forward pass from beyond the line of scrimmage if the passer's entire body and the ball are beyond the line of scrimmage when the ball is released, whether the passer is airborne or touching the ground. The penalty for a forward pass
- thrown from beyond the line is enforced from the spot where the ball is released. (b) A second forward pass thrown from behind the line of scrimmage.
- (c) A forward pass thrown after the ball has crossed the line of scrimmage and has returned behind it.
- (d) A forward pass thrown after there has been a change of possession

Item 2. Intercepted Illegal Pass. If an illegal pass is caught or intercepted, the ball may be advanced and the penalty declined. Penalties:

- (a) For a forward pass from beyond the line: Loss of down and five yards from the spot of the pass. See S.N. below.
  (b) For a second forward pass from behind the line, or for a forward pass that was thrown after the ball returned behind the line: Loss of down and five yards from the previous spot.
- (c) For a forward pass that is thrown after a change of possession: Loss of five yards from the spot of the pass.
- (1) Eligibility, pass interference, and intentional grounding rules apply when a forward pass is thrown from behind the line. regardless whether the pass is an illegal forward pass. Eligibility, pass interference, and intentional grounding rules do not apply if a forward pass is thrown (a) from beyond the line, (b) on a Free Kick play, (c) on a Fair Catch kick play, or (d)
- after a change of possession.
- amor a Gamge or possession. Q1 Roughing the passer rules apply on all passes (legal or illegal) thrown from behind the line of scrimmage (12-2-9). If a pass is thrown from beyond the line of scrimmage, unnecessary roughness may apply for action against the passer. Q3 When a distance panalty in Penalty (a) leaves the ball in advance of the necessary line to gain, it is first-and-10 for the offensive team.
- See 3-2-4 for the definition of team possession during a forward pass (a loose ball), or for when possession ends.

ARTICLE 3. COMPLETED OR INTERCEPTED PASS. A player who makes a catch may advance the ball. A forward pass is complete (by the offense) or intercepted (by the defense) in the field of play, at the sideline, or in the end zone if a player, who is inhounds: (a) secures control of the ball in his hands or arms prior to the ball touching the ground; and

- (b) touches the ground inbounds with both feet or with any part of his body other than his hands; and (c) after (a) and (b) have been fulfilled, performs any act common to the game (e.g., tuck the ball away, extend it forward, take an additional step, turn upfield, or avoid or ward off an opponent), or he maintains control of the ball long enough to do so.

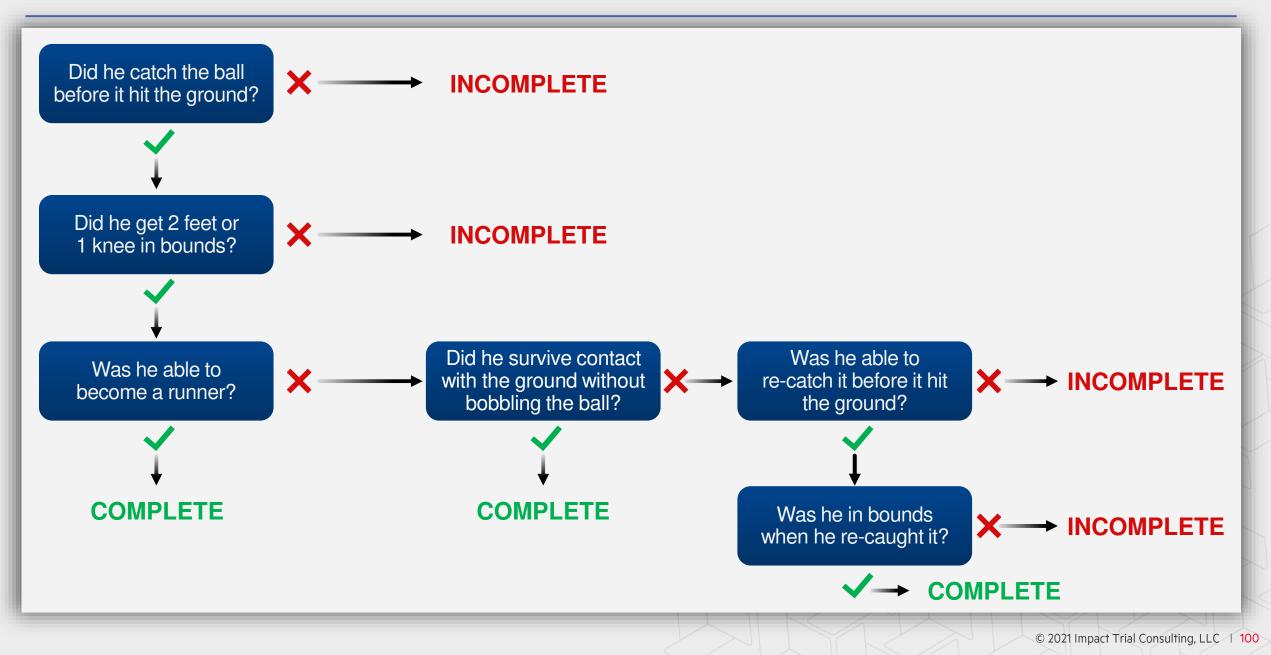
#### Notes: Movement of the ball does not automatically result in loss of control.

(2) If a player, who satisfied (a) and (b), but has not satisfied (c), contacts the ground and loses control of the ball, it is an incomplete pass if the ball hits the ground before he regains control, or if he regains control out of bounds. (3) A receiver is considered a player in a defensively so partice (See Rule 12, Section 2, Article 9) throughout the entire

process of the catch and until the player is capable of avoiding or warding off the impending contact of an opponent. (4) If a pass is caught simultaneous/ by two eligible opponents, and both players retain it, the ball beforgs to the passers. It is not a simultaneous catch if a player gains control first and an opponent busbequently gains joint control. If the ball is muffed after simultaneous touching by two such players, all the players of the passing team become eligible to catch the loose ball

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# **NFL Catch Rule**

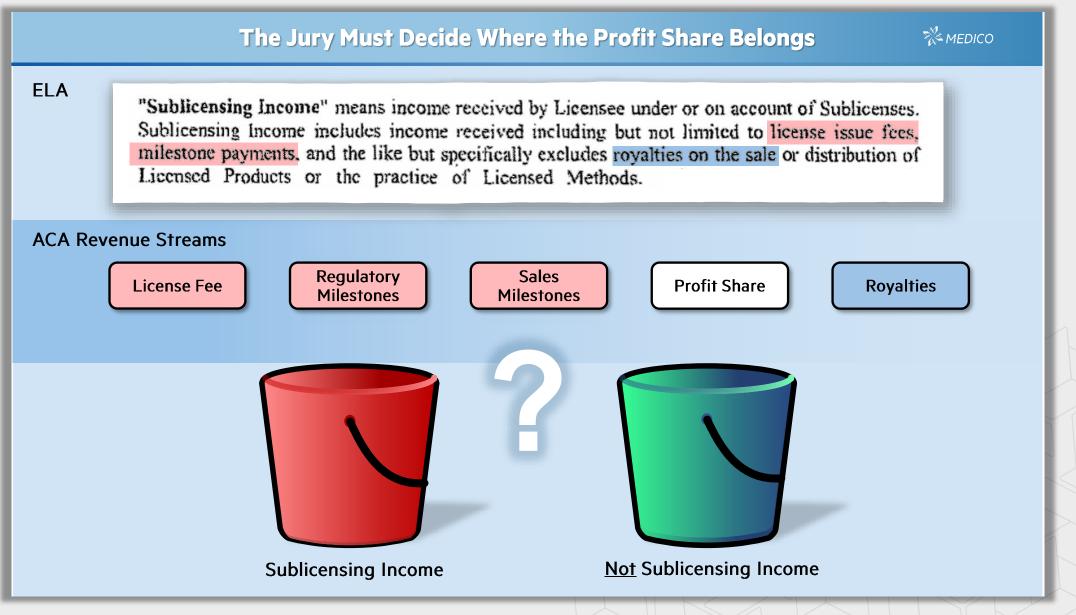


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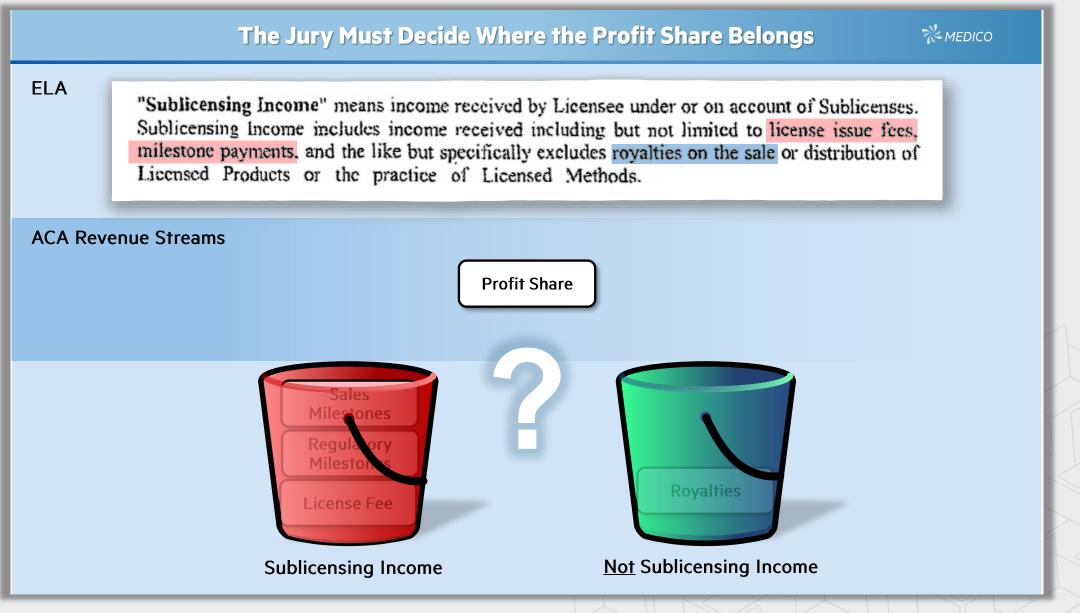
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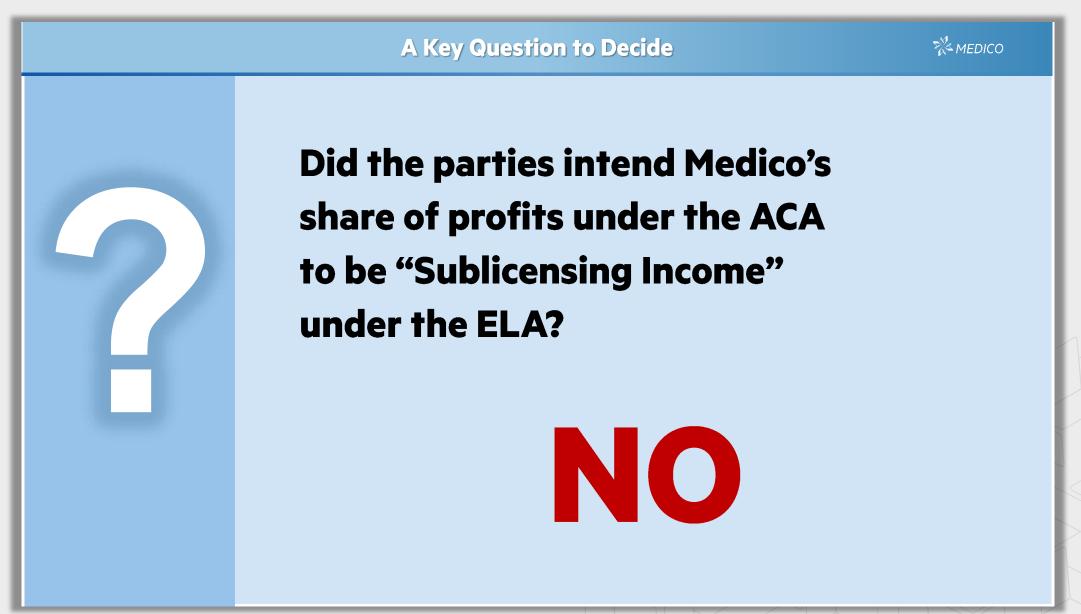


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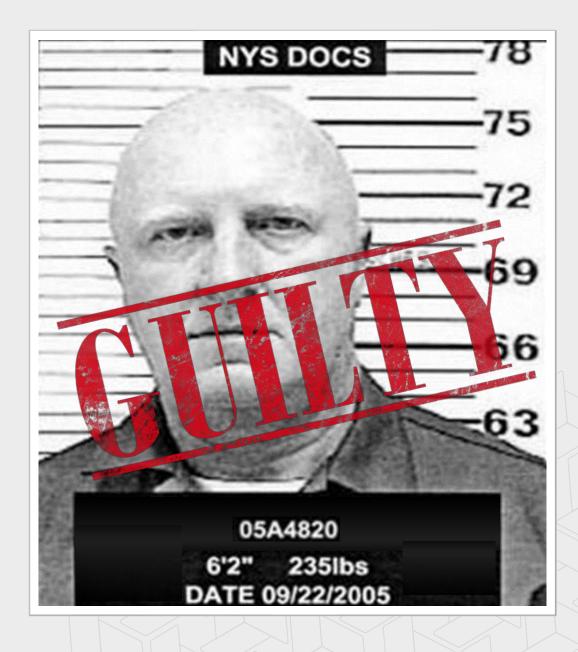
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# **Visual Argument and the Law**

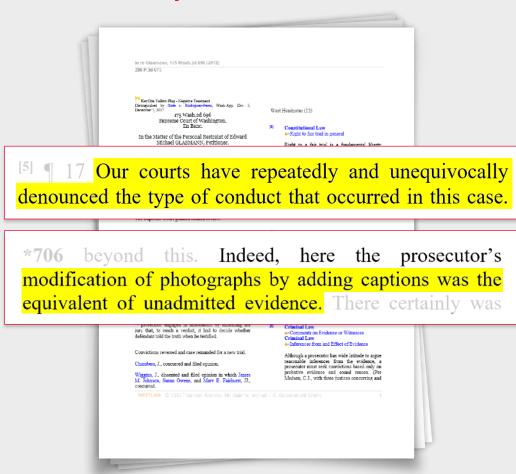
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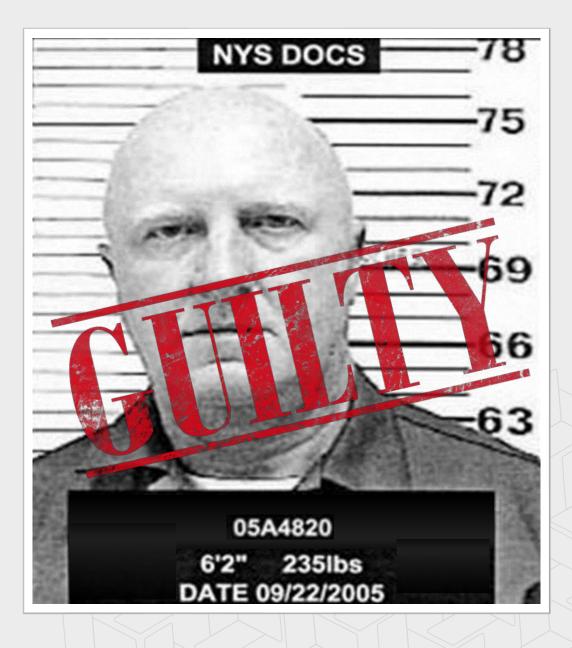
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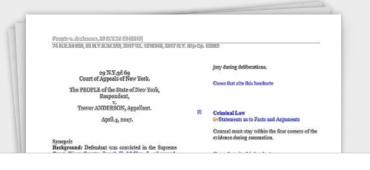
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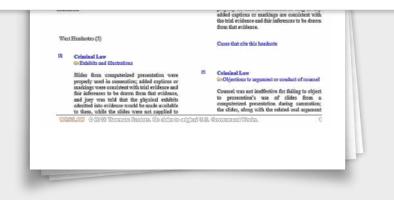


#### **People v. Anderson**

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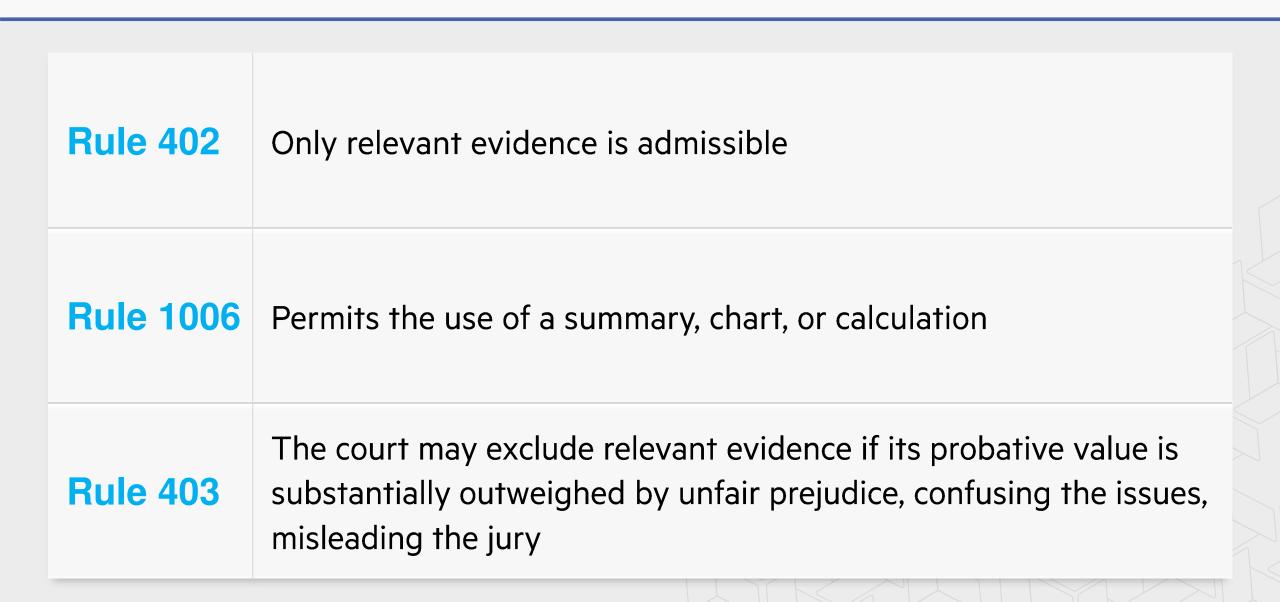


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# **The Rules of Evidence**



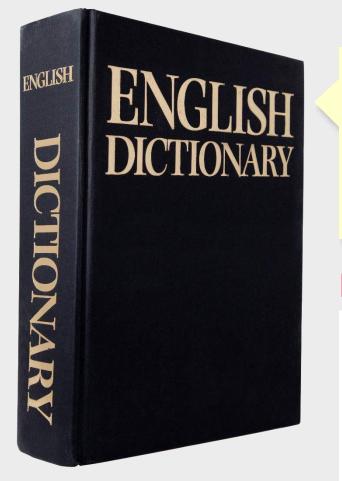
# The Model Rules of Professional Conduct

| Rule 3.3(a)(1) | "A lawyer shall not knowingly make a false statement of fact or law to a tribunal"  |
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| Rule 3.3(a)(3) | "A lawyer shall not knowingly offer evidence that the lawyer knows to be false."  |
| Rule 3.4(b)    | "A lawyer shall not falsify evidence"   |
| Rule 4.1(a)    | "In the course of representing a client a lawyer shall not knowingly make a false statement of material fact or law to a third person." |
| Rule 8.4(c)    | "It is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation."             |

# **Final Notes**

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#### dis·claim·er (dis klāmər/) noun

#### 1.a statement that denies something, especially responsibility.

"the novel carries the usual disclaimer about the characters bearing no relation to living persons"

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