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IN BRIEF

PREVENTING CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

- Have a qualified service professional inspect your fuel-burning appliances at least once a year.
- Install Underwriter Laboratory Listed carbon monoxide detectors outside of sleeping areas and near all fuel-burning appliances.
- Do not use charcoal grills inside the home, tent, camper or garage.
- Don't allow vehicle exhaust fumes to enter the home.
- Make sure all fuel-burning appliances are properly ventilated.

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MORE COURTROOM JESTS

I found some more silly questions asked by real lawyers in real courtrooms. Remember, it takes years of law school and even more years of courtroom experience to be able to ask questions like these:

- In your opinion, how far apart were these vehicles at the exact time of the collision?
- Have you ever smelled an odorless solvent before?
- The question is simply designed to have you reflect for a moment and think if there is anything that stands out in your mind that in any way leads you to believe that you are not required to give an answer in whole to or in part to the pending question and all you are required to do is give me your firsthand impression of your firm belief right now as to whether any such fact or belief occurs to you as you sit here and think about it, as I am sure that you understand the question, but if you are the least bit confused, or if there is some word that there is some doubt about, I will have the reporter read the question and you can ask for clarification. Ok?
- Q: Answer the question. When did they have a knife at your throat?
A: That was a figure of speech.
Q: So they had a figure of speech at your throat?
- Q: What is your relationship with the plaintiff?
A: She is my daughter.
Q: Was she your daughter on February 13, 1999?
- Q: What did he do then?
A: He came home, and the next morning he was dead.
Q: So when he woke up the next morning, he was dead?
- Q: Were you acquainted with the deceased?
A: Yes.
Q: Was this before or after she died?
- Q: What happened then?
A: He told me, he says, "I have to kill you because you can identify me."
Q: Did he kill you?
- Q: Is that a person you ever had any further dealings with after that?
A: He is dead.
Q: But did you have any further dealings with him after that?
- Q: Was there some event, Martha, that occurred which kind of finally made you determine that you had to separate from your husband?
A: Yes.
Q: What did he do?
A: Well, uh, he tried to kill me.
Q: Alright. And then you felt that that was the last straw, is that correct?

In Case of Injury

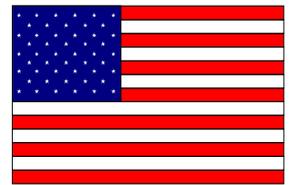
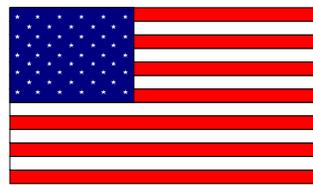
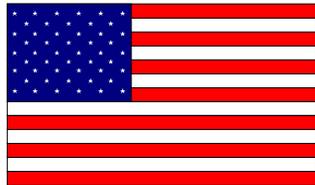
When you, your friends, family members or fellow workers become injured, they may need an attorney. Please have them call us. We will be happy to help with a free consultation.

The Law and You

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We welcome your comments.

- Q: What were his motions?
A: To pull over out of the road.
- Q: And he did that by giving you a hand signal and pointed his arm in the direction which he wanted you to go?
A: Yes.
- Q: And was he alive when he was doing this?
• Q: Are you married sir?
A: Yes.
- Q: And to whom are you married?
A: My wife.
- Q: Could you see him from where you were standing?
A: I could see his head.
- Q: And where was his head?
A: Just above the shoulders.
- Q: Were you leaning up against the shut door or open door?
A: A shut door. How can you lean against an open door? There is a hole there. You'd fall through the hole.



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