

JUDGE FURSE'S PROPOSED VOIR DIRE - CIVIL

STANDARD VOIR DIRE TO THE ENTIRE JURY PANEL:

1. The parties to this suit are _____ and _____. Do you know any of the parties to this lawsuit?
2. _____, _____, and _____ are the lawyers in this case. Do you know any of the lawyers in this case?
3. Plaintiff's counsel, could you please read your list of potential witnesses. Do you know any of the Plaintiff's proposed witnesses as read to you by Plaintiff's counsel? If so, please explain.
4. Defendant's counsel, could you please read the names of any witnesses not yet mentioned whom you may call? Do you know any of the Defendant's proposed witnesses as read to you by Defendants' counsel? If so, please explain?
5. Have you ever seen or heard anything about this case or the facts in this case?
6. Do you have any knowledge of the facts or events involved in this case?
7. Have you ever worked for (type of company/gov't agency being sued)? If so, who?
8. Have you ever been subject to (whatever the issue in the case is - financial fraud, sexual harassment, etc.)?
9. Do you have any good reason not to serve on the jury (trip, sole caregiver, etc.)?
10. Can you follow the instructions of the Court even if you don't agree with them?
11. Do you know of any reason that you cannot sit in this case with complete fairness and impartiality and decide the case based only on the evidence presented in court and the law as given at the conclusion of the trial?