

Introduction

ix The water in the vat: The full account of the trial of Clement and Evrard appears in the memoirs of eleventh- and twelfth-century critic, theologian, and observer Guibert of Nogent. In reconstructing the events, I rely primarily on the translation of Guibert’s autobiography by John F. Benton (based on an earlier translation by C. C. Swinton Bland). John F. Benton, ed., *Self and Society in Medieval France: The Memoirs of Abbot Guibert of Nogent (1064?–c. 1125)* (New York: Harper & Row, 1970), 214. I am also indebted to several other works. Jay Rubenstein, *Guibert of Nogent: Portrait of a Medieval Mind* (New York: Routledge, 2002); Joseph McAlhany, *Monodies and On the Relics of Saints: The Autobiography and a Manifesto of a French Monk from the Time of the Crusades*, trans. Jay Rubenstein (New York: Penguin Books, 2011); Margaret H. Kerr, Richard D. Forsyth, and Michael J. Plyley, “Cold Water and Hot Iron: Trial by Ordeal in England,” *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 22, no. 4 (1992): 582–83.

ix But they were still in the church: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 213–14.

ix Clement and Evrard, who were peasants: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

ix The charge was heresy: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

ix That is why: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

ix But the brothers: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

ix No, they were emissaries: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

ix Into idle ears: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

ix And in the shadows: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

ix As Abbot Guibert recorded: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212–13.

ix Indeed, rumor had it: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212–13.

- x **Such were the men:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 213.
- x **The brothers had been betrayed:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 213–14.
- x **But these accusers:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.
- x **And when questioned by the lord bishop:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 213.
- x **Following the celebration of Mass:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.
- x **As they appeared before the water:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.
- x **Tears rolled down:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.
- x **And Clement and Evrard:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.
- x **It was at this moment:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.
- x **This was the trial:** Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 213.
- x **As the ninth-century theologian:** Arthur C. Howland, ed., *Ordeals, Compurgation, Excommunication and Interdict* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania, 1901), 11. Hincmar was Archbishop of Rheims and a leader in both ecclesiastical and secular affairs. James C. Prichard, *The Life and Times of Hincmar, Archbishop of Rheims* (London: A. A. Masson, 1849), 8–9.
- x **Baptismal water was pure:** Howland, *Ordeals, Compurgation, Excommunication*, 11.
- xi **An accused person like Clement:** Kerr, Forsyth, and Plyley, “Cold Water and Hot Iron,” 582–83; Henry Charles Lea, *The Ordeal* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 1973), 72.
- xi **According to Hincmar:** Howland, *Ordeals, Compurgation, Excommunication*, 11.
- xi **In some versions of the trial:** Kerr, Forsyth, and Plyley, “Cold Water and Hot Iron,” 582–83; Rebecca V. Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 4, no. 4 (1974): 589; Lea, *The Ordeal*, 72.

xi He “floated like a stick”: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214. As Abbot Guibert recorded later, “At this sight, the whole church was filled with unbounded joy. [The brothers’] notoriety had brought together such an assembly of both sexes that no one present could remember seeing one like it before.” Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.

Evrard, watching his brother’s fate, decided to confess his error, rather than undergo the submersion. Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214. The blessed water that had rejected Clement must just as surely reject him, too. Peter Brown, “Society and the Supernatural: A Medieval Change,” *Daedalus* 104, no. 2 (1975): 139.

With the trial complete, the brothers were brought directly to the prison, where they were joined by two other “established heretics from the village of Dormans” who had been foolish enough to come to watch the proceedings and were seized in short order. Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.

The matter, however, was not yet settled. Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214. The ordeal provided the judgment of God, but not the sentence. Robert Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water: The Medieval Judicial Ordeal* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1986), 23. To determine the proper strategy for dealing with the heretics, Abbot Guibert and the lord bishop sought out the wisdom of the Council of Beauvais. Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.

However, with the guilt of the men determined, the townspeople had no interest in further deliberations and rushed upon the prison, seizing all four men. A great fire had been built outside the city and Clement and Evrard were “burned . . . to ashes.” Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214. In the closing line on the incident, Abbot Guibert offered his support for

the actions of the mob toward the brothers: “To prevent the spreading of the cancer, God’s people showed a righteous zeal against them.” Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 214.

xi Here were the most esteemed: Peter T. Leeson, “Ordeals,” *Journal of Law and Economics* 55 (2012): 708.

xi And here was a neutral process: Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 585–86.

xi Witnesses could lie and judges could bow: Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 586.

xi In an era in which the divine: Ian C. Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place: The Role of Subjectivity and Rationality in the Medieval Ordeal by Hot Iron,” *Anglo-American Law Review* 25 (1996): 111; Peter Leeson, “Justice, Medieval Style: The Case that ‘Trial by Ordeal’ Actually Worked,” *Boston Globe*, January 31, 2010, http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/ideas/articles/2010/01/31/justice_medieval_style/; Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 582 n. 34; Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 111. For those undergoing a hot ordeal, the hand that had been exposed to the heat was then bound and inspected after three days for signs of guilt: severe damage, festering, and the like. Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 582 n. 34.

xi To achieve the proper result: Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 94; Robert C. Palmer, “Trial by Ordeal,” *Michigan Law Review* 87 (1989): 1548.

xi With no dominant governmental authority: Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 107-08.

xii But godly action: The pervasiveness of these beliefs may explain the numerous examples of individuals voluntarily undergoing trial by ordeal, in lieu of other means of proof. Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 585.

xii Moreover, with an ordeal like Clement’s: Brown, “Society and the Supernatural,” 138.

xii How else might a community assess: Brown, “Society and the Supernatural,” 137; Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water*, 22–23, 52; Leeson, “Ordeals,” 695; Kerr, Forsyth, and Plyley, “Cold Water and Hot Iron,” 574–75; Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 93–94, 107; Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 584; Palmer, “Trial by Ordeal,” 1550.

The legitimacy of the ordeal was bolstered by the fact that it appeared to work so well. Some people floated and some did not—and those who floated were rarely in a position to offer counter evidence after the fact to prove that they were actually innocent. Leeson, “Ordeals,” 705. Neither of the two types of cases that leant themselves to the ordeal posed much of a risk of subsequent developments contradicting or otherwise undermining the judgment. The first category involved crimes such as adultery, surreptitious murder, witchcraft, arson, housebreaking, and heresy, where there might not be explicit evidence or even a direct witness. Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 93; Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 583; Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water*, 30. Towns like Soissons faced invisible yet dangerous threats, and the normal judicial tools were simply not up to the task. Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water*, 22–23. By the twelfth century, particularly in areas of northern France and the Rhineland, heresy cases like Clement and Evrard’s were regularly adjudicated through trial by ordeal. Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water*, 22–23, 52. The second set of cases were those in which the accused was disqualified from the normal procedures of swearing an oath or could not assemble others to attest to his innocence. Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval

Law,” 584. In other words, the people most likely to undergo the ordeal were those least likely to have the relevant connections or power to contest the validity of the proceedings or the final judgment: slaves or other unfree persons, outsiders (foreigners), and those who were of general ill-repute who could not get others to swear on their behalf. Colman, “Reason and Unreason in Early Medieval Law,” 584; Palmer, “Trial by Ordeal,” 1550; Kerr, Forsyth, and Plyley, “Cold Water and Hot Iron,” 574–75.

xii There was no apparent alternative: Although European legal systems subjected men and women to physical tests of guilt for more than a thousand years, the heyday of the ordeal was between the ninth and thirteenth centuries. Leeson, “Justice, Medieval Style”; Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water*, 13.

xii Innocent men and women: Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 106.

xii Women and heavysset men: Leeson, “Ordeals,” 707. Although a few modern scholars have attempted to show that under certain circumstances, ordeals could have led to accurate outcomes, there is little evidence that they were able to accurately distinguish guilt and innocence—and much reason to surmise that they did not. Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 110.

xii Even if the process had been valid: Pilarczyk, “Between a Rock and a Hot Place,” 110.

xii What interest does society have: Benton, *Self and Society in Medieval France*, 212.

xiii In a scene from *Monty Python*: Radlegry Balko, “Trial by Ordeal: The Surprising Accuracy of the Dark Ages’ Trial by Fire Rituals,” Reason.com, February 1, 2010, <http://reason.com/archives/2010/02/01/trial-by-ordeal>; “Witch Village,” *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*, Special Edition, Disc 1, directed by Terry Gilliam and Terry Jones (1975; Culver City, CA: Columbia TriStar Home Entertainment, 2001), DVD.

xiii The joyous crowd rushes off: Balko, “Trial by Ordeal”; “Witch Village,” *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*.

xiii They will examine our processes: Balko, “Trial by Ordeal”; “Witch Village,” *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*.

xiv In one study, researchers asked: Although I have focused on two sets of participants, there were seven groups in total who were each given an assessment of the mental patient with slightly different wording. Paul Slovic, John Monahan, and Donald G. MacGregor, “Violence Risk Assessment and Risk Communication: The Effects of Using Actual Cases, Providing Instruction, and Employing Probability Versus Frequency Formats,” *Law and Human Behavior* 24 (2000): 285–87.

xiv Both groups were provided with: Slovic, Monahan, and MacGregor, “Violence Risk Assessment,” 287.

xv The only difference was: Slovic, Monahan, and MacGregor, “Violence Risk Assessment,” 287.

xv Those who considered the risk: Forty-one percent of those who considered the risk of violence as a frequency determined that Mr. Jones should not be released versus 21 percent of those who considered the risk of violence as a probability. Slovic, Monahan, and MacGregor, “Violence Risk Assessment,” 288.

xv When the researchers probed more deeply: Paul Slovic and Ellen Peters, “Risk Perception and Affect,” *Current Directions in Psychological Science* 15 (2006): 324. Put differently, when considering the risk as a probability, people imagined a single individual who might or might not act violently in the future. By contrast, when considering the risk as a frequency, people imagined a set of offenders who would certainly commit horrible acts, which was more

evocative and frightening. Yuval Rottenstreich and Christopher K. Hsee, “Money, Kisses, and Electric Shocks: On the Affective Psychology of Risk,” *Psychological Science* 12 (2001): 188–89.

xv If we have strongly negative feelings: Slovic and Peters, “Risk Perception and Affect,” 324; Rottenstreich and Hsee, “Money, Kisses, and Electric Shocks,” 185; George F. Loewenstein, Elke U. Weber, Christopher K. Hsee, and Ned Welch, “Risk as Feelings,” *Psychological Bulletin* 2 (2001): 276–78.

xv A one-in-five-million chance: Cass Sunstein has termed this dynamic “probability neglect”: we can be so focused on certain negative consequences that we largely ignore the likelihood that those events will transpire. Cass R. Sunstein, “Terrorism and Probability Neglect,” *The Journal of Risk and Uncertainty* 26 (2003): 122.

xv Indeed, sometimes when more: Paul Slovic and Daniel Västfjäll, “The More Who Die, The Less We Care: Psychic Numbing and Genocide,” in *Behavioural Public Policy*, ed. Adam J. Oliver (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2013), 94–114.

xv Mother Teresa was right: Paul Slovic, “‘If I Look At the Mass I Will Never Act’: Psychic Numbing and Genocide,” *Judgment and Decision Making* 2 (2007): 80.

xv Research suggests that: Slovic, “‘If I Look At the Mass I Will Never Act,’” 88.

xv It’s no coincidence that: The 1994 federal law that requires convicted sex offenders to register with authorities was named after eleven-year-old Jacob Wetterling, who was abducted while riding bikes with his brother and a friend. Roger N. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs,” *New York Times*, August 20, 2011, <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/08/21/opinion/sunday/sex-offenders-the-last-pariahs.html?src=rechp>; “Megan’s Law Website,” Pennsylvania State Police, accessed

November 2, 2014, <http://www.pameganslaw.state.pa.us/History.aspx?dt=>. A later amendment prompted state regulations that mandate that law enforcement notify members of the public about the presence of offenders in their neighborhoods. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs.” These statutes are known as Megan’s Law—after Megan Kanka, who was raped and murdered by a known sex offender who lived across the street and invited her over to look at a puppy. William Glaberson, “Man at Heart of Megan’s Law Convicted of Her Grisly Murder,” *New York Times*, May 31, 1997, <http://www.nytimes.com/1997/05/31/nyregion/man-at-heart-of-megan-s-law-convicted-of-her-grisly-murder.html?src=pm>. In addition to increasing and expanding punishment for sex crimes against children, the 2006 Adam Walsh Act permits something that is almost always prohibited in criminal law: the retroactive application of the tougher regulations. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs.” It was signed on the anniversary of the date that Adam, the son of the host of America’s Most Wanted, John Walsh, was kidnapped from a department store and murdered. Yolanne Almanzar, “27 Years Later, Case Is Closed in Slaying of Abducted Child,” *New York Times*, December 16, 2008, <http://www.nytimes.com/2008/12/17/us/17adam.html>.

xvi We assume that assessing risk: Slovic and Peters, “Risk Perception and Affect,” 322; Loewenstein, Weber, Hsee, and Welch, “Risk as Feelings,” 267.

xvi And the problem is that: Cass R. Sunstein, “Book Review: Misfearing: A Reply,” *Harvard Law Review* 119 (2006): 1110.

xvi Yet the risk that your child: Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs”; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *10 Leading Causes of Death by Age Group Highlighting Unintentional Injury Deaths, United States—2011*, accessed November 2, 2014, http://www.cdc.gov/injury/wisqars/pdf/leading_causes_of_injury_deaths_highlighting_unintenti

onal_injury_2011-a.pdf; U.S. Department of Transportation, *Traffic Safety Facts—2012 Data—Children* (Washington: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 2014), 1. In fact, contrary to popular perceptions, the incidence of various child abduction crimes have decreased—not increased—since the 1980s. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs.” And the statistics show that only a very small percentage of sexual crimes involve repeat offenders—indeed, Justice Department data indicates that reoffending rates for sex offenders are notably *lower* than for those convicted of robbery, burglary, and drug crimes. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs”; Rachel Aviv, “The Science of Sex Abuse,” *The New Yorker*, January 14, 2013, http://www.newyorker.com/reporting/2013/01/14/130114fa_fact_aviv?currentPage=all. Moreover, when it comes to sexual abuse, it is relatives, friends, and acquaintances who make up the vast majority of abusers, not strangers hiding in the bushes. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs; Youth Villages, “In Child Sex Abuse, Strangers Aren’t the Greatest Danger, Experts Say,” *Science Daily*, April 13, 2014, http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2012/04/120413100854.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+sciencedaily%2Fmind_brain+%28ScienceDaily%3A+Mind+%26+Brain+News%29.

xvi The pedophile threat: Paul Slovic, “Perception of Risk,” *Science* 236 (1987): 282–83; Paul Slovic, *The Perception of Risk* (London: Earthscan, 2000), 140; Timur Kuran and Cass R. Sunstein, “Availability Cascades and Risk Regulation,” *Stanford Law Review* 51 (1999): 708–10; Jared Diamond, “That Daily Shower Can Be a Killer,” *New York Times*, January 28, 2013, http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/29/science/jared-diamonds-guide-to-reducing-lifes-risks.html?_r=0. Researchers have identified a number of other factors that prompt greater fear and an enhanced perception of risk, including whether the risk is perceived as involuntary,

irreversible, human-generated, and impacting children, among others. Kuran and Sunstein, “Availability Cascades and Risk Regulation,” 701, 708–10. One of the intriguing things about our threat perceptions is how difficult they are to control: we may “know” that a risk is very unlikely to happen, but still see it as a major threat. Daniel Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow* (New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2011), 323. For many of us, a great example of this phenomenon comes when we fly in an airplane: we know that our chances of death are significantly less than if we completed the same journey by car; yet our automatic emotional response leaves us on edge for the flight. Likewise, we may be aware that we are far more likely to die of heart disease than Ebola, but be much more motivated to respond to the risk of Ebola.

xvi So we invest heavily: Today, you can search a free online database of registered sex offenders in every state. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs.” And the amount of oversight and punishment of sex offenders shows no sign of dissipating. Forty-four states, for example, have either enacted or are currently considering laws that require certain sexual predators to wear electronic monitoring devices for the rest of their lives. Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs”; National Conference of State Legislatures, *State Statutes Related to Jessica’s Law*, accessed November 3, 2014, http://www.leg.state.vt.us/WorkGroups/sexoffenders/NCSLs_Jessicas_Law_Summary.pdf. At the federal level, in less than 20 years, the average sentence for possessing or distributing child pornography has more than quintupled to just under a decade in prison. U.S. Sentencing Commission, *Sentence Length in Each Primary Offense Category* (2011), Table 13, <http://www.ussc.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/research-and-publications/annual-reports-and-sourcebooks/2011/Table13.pdf>; Rachel Aviv, “The Science of Sex Abuse.”

Unfortunately, research suggests that these types of laws are extremely costly and often ineffective. “Sex Laws Unjust and Ineffective,” *The Economist*, August 6, 2009, <http://www.economist.com/node/14164614>. Indeed, a study of Megan’s Law in New Jersey, funded by the federal government, showed no meaningful effect on recidivism rates. Kristen Zgoba, *Megan’s Law: Assessing the Practical and Monetary Efficacy* (New Jersey Department of Corrections, 2008), 2; Lancaster, “Sex Offenders: The Last Pariahs.” And these statutes can actually make matters worse. Once they are listed on a public registry, people are at serious risk of losing their jobs and struggle to find employment. Jill S. Levenson and Leo P. Cotter, “The Effect of Megan’s Law on Sex Offender Reintegration,” *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice* 21 no. 1 (2005): 49, doi: 10.1177/1043986204271676; “Sex Laws Unjust and Ineffective.” Laws that bar offenders from living within a certain number of feet of parks or schools further marginalize these individuals, particularly in urban areas where most of the landscape ends up being off-limits “Sex Laws Unjust and Ineffective.” Research shows that those without a stable place to live or a job are more likely to reoffend. Center for Sex Offender Management, *What You Need to Know About Sex Offenders* (Center for Effective Public Policy, 2008), 4-5, http://www.csom.org/pubs/needtoknow_fs.pdf; “Sex Laws Unjust and Ineffective.”

Our registries also make those previously convicted of sex offenses targets for harassment and attacks. “Sex Laws Unjust and Ineffective”; Richard Tewksbury and Matthew Lees, “Perceptions of Sex Offender Registration: Collateral Consequences and Community Experiences,” *Sociological Spectrum* 26 (2006): 329. That is, we facilitate serious crimes against people who have served their time and, in many cases, are simply trying to piece their lives back together.

Similarly, passing a bill allowing for the indefinite civil detention of sex offenders even after they have completed their sentences may seem like a sensible response to a particularly egregious crime against a child—a way to use the tragedy to enact change that will keep kids in the community safer. And, in fact, the Adam Walsh Act and more than twenty state sexually violent predator laws provide for the subsequent civil commitment of those prisoners assessed to have serious impulse control issues related to sexually assaulting children. Rachel Aviv, “The Science of Sex Abuse.” But it seems extremely unjust to determine that a person has sufficient control over his actions to be found criminally blameworthy, have that person serve his time in prison, and then, just as he is about to regain his freedom, decide to lock him up in a mental-health facility on the grounds that he is dangerous because he does not have the ability to control his actions. A dirty trick like that would seem more at home in a Kafkaesque nightmare than present-day America.

xvi The news media further distorts: Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow*, 137–45.

xvi And how easily we can recall: Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow*, 142; Kuran and Sunstein, “Availability Cascades and Risk Regulation,” 685–86.

xvi It makes a difference: It’s easy to see how media coverage can engender a vicious cycle—what some scholars call an “availability cascade.” Kuran and Sunstein, “Availability Cascades and Risk Regulation,” 685; Daniel Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow*, 142. Horrible crimes are given prominence by the media, which causes private citizens and lawmakers to assess these crimes as more likely to occur than they actually are and to believe that addressing them is particularly important. This, in turn, means that the media focuses even more time on covering rapes, murders, and brutal assaults, which encourages the public to see them as even more important and dangerous.

xvi Likewise, the disproportionate number: Jerry Kang, “Trojan Horses of Race,” *Harvard Law Review* 118 (2005): 1549–51.

xviii Many academics and journalists: Ian Sample, “US Court See Rise in Defendants Blaming Their Brains for Criminal Acts,” *Guardian*, November 10, 2013, <http://www.theguardian.com/world/2013/nov/10/us-rise-defendants-blame-brains-crimes-neuroscience>; Jessica Hamzelou, “Brain Scans Reduce Murder Sentence in Italian Court,” *New Scientist*, September 1, 2011, <http://www.newscientist.com/blogs/shortsharpscience/2011/09/brain-scans-reduce-sentence-in.html>; Emiliano Feresin, “Italian Court Reduces Murder Sentence Based on Neuroimaging Data,” *Nature News Blog*, September 1, 2011, http://blogs.nature.com/news/2011/09/italian_court_reduces_murder_s.html.

xviii Stefania had pled guilty: Feresin, “Italian Court Reduces Murder Sentence.”

xviii Critics of the reduced sentence: Hamzelou, “Brain Scans.”

xviii Moreover, they noted, Stefania’s brain: Feresin, “Italian Court Reduces Murder Sentence.”

xviii It seems obvious that: Hamzelou, “Brain Scans.”

xviii Our thoughts, beliefs, and actions: David Eagleman, “What Our Brains Can Teach Us,” Op-Ed, *New York Times*, February 22, 2013, http://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/23/opinion/what-our-brains-can-teach-us.html?_r=0.

xviii If some of these electrochemical reactions: “Brain Tumor: Symptoms and Signs,” Cancer.net, last modified June 2013, <http://www.cancer.net/cancer-types/brain-tumor/symptoms-and-signs>.

xix Be born with the wrong set: Alexia Cooper and Erica L. Smith, U.S. Department of Justice, *Homicide Trends in the United States, 1980–2008: Annual Rates for 2009 and 2010* (Washington, DC: Bureau of Justice Statistics, November 2011), 3, <http://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/htus8008.pdf>; Henry T. Greely, “Law and the Revolution in Neuroscience: An Early Look at the Field,” *Akron Law Review* 42 (2009): 691–93.

xix How troubled are we: According to a recent analysis, 4.1 percent of death penalty convictions in the United States from 1973 to 2004 are estimated to be wrongful—and that is a conservative figure. Samuel R. Gross et al., “Rate of False Conviction of Criminal Defendants Who Are Sentenced to Death,” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (2014): 5, doi: 10.1073/pnas.1306417111.

xx The development of DNA testing: The first DNA exoneration occurred in 1989. Innocence Project, “DNA Exonerations Nationwide,” accessed March 18, 2014, http://www.innocenceproject.org/Content/DNA_Exonerations_Nationwide.php.

xx The dim light: Innocence Project, “DNA Exoneree Case Profiles,” accessed March 18, 2014, <http://www.innocenceproject.org/know/>; Innocence Project, *200 Exonerated: Too Many Wrongfully Convicted* (New York: Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University), 14, http://www.innocenceproject.org/200/ip_200.pdf.

xx “The ghost of the innocent”: *United States v. Garsson*, 291 F. 646, 649 (S.D.N.Y. 1923).

xx There are corridors of injustice: We could continue the tour, entering an entire wing with cases of people who actually committed their crimes, but who never received the honest, unbiased process or the fair treatment they were promised. And beyond that we could pass through a nursery with all of the botched juvenile cases that ended up sealed and near misses where someone was incorrectly identified and pursued as a prime suspect up through trial only

for the truth to be revealed by a bit of final luck. Innocence Project, “DNA Exonerations Nationwide”; Saul M. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions: Risk Factors and Recommendations,” *Law and Human Behavior*, 34 (2010): 3. And if we stopped we would hear the beams of the attic creak with the pressure of a mountain of plea bargains where no judge or jury ever weighed the evidence that would certainly have raised a reasonable doubt. Gross et al., “Rate of False Conviction,” 1.

1. The Labels We Live By ~ The Victim

3 Jerry Pritchett had stepped out: Charles J. Willoughby, Government of the District of Columbia, Office of the Inspector General, *Summary of Special Report: Emergency Response to the Assault on David E. Rosenbaum* (June 2006), 22.

3 There, between the bare ginkgo trees: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.

3 The sidewalk that lined: Selena Walker, OEA Matter No. 1601-0133-06, 4 (June 26, 2007), http://oea.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/oea/publication/attachments/OEADecision_Walker_v_DCFEMS_06_26_07.pdf. Details about the house and neighborhood were collected using Google Maps.

3 As Jerry approached: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.

3 When Jerry asked him a question: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.

3 He wasn’t carrying a wallet: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.

3 She noticed that: Del Quentin Wilber and Debbi Wilgoren, “Medical Condition Suspected at First in Journalist’s Fall,” *Washington Post*, January 10, 2006, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/01/09/AR2006010901245.html>; Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.

- 3 He was trying to move himself:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.
- 3 Jerry placed one of his slippered feet:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.
- 3 Less than ten minutes:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 21.
- 3 Almost as soon as they started:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 21.
- 4 Claude thought that:** Wilber and Wilgoren, “Medical Condition Suspected.”
- 4 This wasn’t a stroke:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 27.
- 4 The engine driver found:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 25.
- 4 They decided not to perform:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 4.
- 4 When one of the responding:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 35.
- 4 As a result, the cops:** The police admitted that, as a result, they “did not get a close look at the man.” Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 35.
- 4 According to protocol, they should:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 5.
- 4 The ambulance carrying emergency medical technicians:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 46.
- 4 “What we got??:”** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 22, 39.
- 4 She wasn’t pleased:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 39.
- 4 The firefighters had noticed:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 4.
- 4 And neither of the EMTs asked:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 6.
- 4 Consequently, they loaded him:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 25.
- 4 Given her advanced training:** D.C. Fire and Medical Services Department v. D.C. Office of Employee Appeals, 986 A.2d 419, 421 (D.C. 2010).
- 4 As the assistant EMT:** Colbert I. King, “The Death of David Rosenbaum,” *Washington Post*, February 25, 2006, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp->

[dyn/content/article/2006/02/24/AR2006022401676.html](http://www.brainline.org/content/article/2006/02/24/AR2006022401676.html); Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 43, 45; “What Is the Glasgow Coma Scale?,” Brainline.org, accessed February 13, 2014, <http://www.brainline.org/content/2010/10/what-is-the-glasgow-coma-scale.html>. The Glasgow Coma Scale was developed to assess the consciousness of brain-trauma victims by assigning numerical values to the degree of eye opening (1–4), verbal response (1–5), and motor response (1–6). By adding up the three scores, clinicians arrive at a number that is used to classify the seriousness of the brain injury. In general, a total score of 3 to 8 is considered severe, 9 to 12 is considered moderate, and 13 to 15 is considered mild.

4 The assistant, though, classified him: *D.C. Fire and Medical*, 986 A.2d at 421.

4 The man’s inability: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 8.

5 The assistant skipped: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 6; King, “The Death of David Rosenbaum.”

5 Although Fire and Emergency Medical: *D.C. Fire and Medical*, 986 A.2d at 423 n. 1.

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5 As the triage nurse later explained: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 53.

5 No one at the hospital performed: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 7.

- 5 She didn't check his pupils:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 53.
- 5 Shining a light in his eyes:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 53.
- 5 "I saw he was not in distress":** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 53.
- 5 When she passed the man off:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 54.
- 5 And when the team leader:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 15, 55.
- 5 He was not having respiratory problems:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 56.
- 5 With no reason to rush:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 57.
- 6 At around 11:30 p.m., another nurse:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 56.
- 6 As they were moving the gurney:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 56–57.
- 6 That was sometimes a bad sign:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 56.
- 6 They repeated the rub:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 56.
- 6 The nurses couldn't believe it:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 57.
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Consumer Evaluations Through Physical Contact with ‘Disgusting’ Products,” *Journal of Marketing Research* 44, no. 2, (May 2007): 275–78; Michael D. Lemonick, “Why We Get Disgusted,” *Time*, May 24, 2007, <http://content.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,1625167,00.html>. In one study, researchers looked at how people reacted to food that happened to be placed in a basket with things that are considered disgusting, like tampons and kitty litter. Morales and Fitzsimons, “Product Contagion,” 275–78; Lemonick, “Why We Get Disgusted.” What they found was that even when a package of cookies was unopened and did not actually touch the kitty litter, people would not eat them.

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Victim Ethnicity on Arrest in Violent Crimes,” *Criminal Justice Studies: A Critical Journal of Crime, Law and Society* 25, no. 2 (2012): 185–89; Aki Roberts, “The Influences of Incident and Contextual Characteristics on Crime Clearance of Nonlethal Violence: A Multilevel Event History Analysis,” *Journal of Criminal Justice* 36 (2008): 65–69; Amanda L. Robinson and Meghan S. Chandek, “Differential Police Response to Black Battered Women,” *Women and Criminal Justice* 12 (2000): 43–55; Douglas A. Smith, Christy A. Visser, and Laura A. Davidson, “Equity and Discretionary Justice: The Influence of Race on Police Arrest Decisions,” *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* 75, no.1 (1984): 234, 246–49.

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15 When an older man: Goodwin and Landy, “Valuing Different Human Lives,” 783, 785. A number of studies show that when an older person is killed, we do not feel the same sense of injustice as when a young person is killed. Mitchell J. Callan, Rael J. Dawtry, and James M. Olson, “Justice Motive Effects in Ageism: The Effects of a Victim’s Age on Observer Perceptions of Injustice and Punishment Judgments,” *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology* 48 (2012): 1343–44. For instance, when researchers looked into how members of the public felt about an accident in which a drunk driver ran a red light and hit an innocent victim, they found that people perceived less injustice when a seventy-four-year-old was the victim than when an eighteen-year-old was the victim. And they recommended lower sentences for the guilty driver who hit the older person. This enhanced indifference may affect our response, even when we

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17 And we eliminate that discomfort: Jones and Aronson, “Attribution of Fault to a Rape Victim,” 418–19.

17 We trick ourselves: Jones and Aronson, “Attribution of Fault to a Rape Victim,” 418–19.

17 She must have done something: Jones and Aronson, “Attribution of Fault to a Rape Victim,” 418–19. The easier it is for us to see the implicated harm as resulting from the victim’s free choice, the easier it is for us to blame her for what happened and maintain our belief in a just world. Looking into why certain tragedies, like the tsunami of 2004, spark significant charitable

giving, while others, like the crisis in Darfur, do not, a group of scientists had participants read about a fake famine and then asked them if they would like to make a donation to the victims. Hanna Zagefka et al., “Donating to Disaster Victims: Responses to Natural and Humanly Caused Events,” *European Journal of Social Psychology* 41 (2011): 358, doi: 10.1002/ejsp.781; Situationist Staff, “The Situation of Donations,” *Situationist*, May 29, 2011, <http://thesituationist.wordpress.com/2011/05/29/the-situation-of-donations/>. Some participants were told that the famine had arisen from “drought,” while others were told that it had been sparked by “armed conflict.” Could that small background fact make a difference? The answer was a clear yes: those who were starving because of a drought received significantly more donations, which the authors suggested arose because these people were seen as less implicated in causing their own suffering. Zagefka et al., “Donating to Disaster Victims,” 358–59; Situationist Staff, “The Situation of Donations.” Again, we want to believe that the world is a just place where individuals get their righteous deserts. Zagefka et al., “Donating to Disaster Victims,” 361; Situationist Staff, “The Situation of Donations”; Callan, Dawtry, and Olson, “Justice Motive Effects in Ageism,” 1343–44. Participants could maintain such a belief by assuming that those suffering as a result of an “armed conflict” must have been partially to blame—something they couldn’t do when a natural disaster was behind the famine. Zagefka et al., “Donating to Disaster Victims,” 361; Situationist Staff, “The Situation of Donations.”

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20 In fact, DNA testing: Kassin, Dror, and Kukucka, “The Forensic Confirmation Bias,” 47.

20 You’ve got a feeling: “What is CODIS?,” National Institute of Justice, July 16, 2010, <http://nij.gov/journals/266/Pages/backlogs-codis.aspx>; Joseph Goldstein, “F.B.I. Audit of Database That Indexes DNA Finds Errors in Profiles,” *New York Times*, January 24, 2014, http://www.nytimes.com/2014/01/25/nyregion/fbi-audit-of-database-that-indexes-dna-finds-errors-in-profiles.html?hp&_r=1.

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21 As expected, the experts found: Kassin, Dror, and Kukucka, “The Forensic Confirmation Bias,” 47.

21 Only one of the seventeen: Kassin, Dror, and Kukucka, “The Forensic Confirmation Bias,” 47.

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21 Interestingly, the first people: Wilber and Wilgoren, “Medical Condition Suspected.”

21 Well, perhaps because they weren’t looking: Wilber and Wilgoren, “Medical Condition Suspected.”

21 As one of the firefighters recounted: Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 26.

21 According to the U.S. Department: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Office of Applied Studies, “Appendix B: Tables of Model-Based Estimates (50 States and the District of Columbia),” accessed February 15, 2014, <http://www.oas.samhsa.gov/2k8state/AppB.htm#TabB-9>.

21 After dinner on a Friday night: Brief for Appellant, *Jordan*, 18 A.3d 703 (No. 07-CF-340), 2010 WL 7359337, at *2.

- 22 But the problem wasn't just that:** Simon, *In Doubt*, 38.
- 22 For example, one of the firefighters:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 23.
- 22 The lack of a bracelet:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 23.
- 22 Likewise, the Pritchetts:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 18.
- 22 According to Commander Robert Contee:** Wilber and Wilgoren, "Medical Condition Suspected."
- 22 With a different starting frame:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 56.
- 22 As it was, the first person:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 56.
- 23 There was actually plenty:** Willoughby, *Summary of Special Report*, 8, 28, 47.
- 23 The failure to appreciate counterevidence:** Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow*, 84.
- 23 The lack of independent assessment:** Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow*, 85.
- 23 This is why when, say, six people:** Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow*, 84.
- 24 They decided to offer:** Milk and Ryan, "Washingtonians of the Year"; Elissa Silverman, "Don't Split Department, Task Force Tells Fenty," *Washington Post*, September 21, 2007, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/09/20/AR2007092000900.html>.
- 24 A number of these reforms:** District of Columbia Task Force on Emergency Medical Services, *Report and Recommendations* (Washington, DC: January 27, 2007), 27–33. Unfortunately, there is some evidence that the D.C. government may already be backsliding on certain advances. Andrea Noble, "D.C. Fire Chief's Changes Ignore Earlier EMS Task Force Recommendation," *JEMS*, August, 28, 2013, <http://www.jems.com/article/news/dc-fire-chief-s-changes-ignore-earlier-e>; Tisha Thompson and Rick Yarborough, "I-Team: Seeing Through the Smoke," NBC Washington, August 27, 2013, <http://www.nbcwashington.com/investigations/I-Team-Seeing-Through-the-Smoke-220734681.html>.

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24 Perhaps most important: Kassin, Dror, and Kukucka, “The Forensic Confirmation Bias,” 49.

25 He used a shortcut: Amanda Schaffer, “The Moral Dilemmas of Doctors During Disaster,” *New Yorker*, September 13, 2013, <http://www.newyorker.com/online/blogs/elements/2013/09/the-moral-dilemmas-of-doctors-during-disaster.html>.

25 In that panicked moment: Schaffer, “The Moral Dilemmas of Doctors.”

25 It did not help doctors: Schaffer, “The Moral Dilemmas of Doctors.”

25 A DNR simply informs: “Do Not Resuscitate Orders,” MedlinePlus, last modified February 3, 2014, <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/patientinstructions/000473.htm>.

25 Moreover, a person may choose: “Do Not Resuscitate Orders,” MedlinePlus, last modified February 3, 2014, <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/patientinstructions/000473.htm>.

25 The patients abandoned: Schaffer, “The Moral Dilemmas of Doctors.”

25 They carried an almost infinite array: Schaffer, “The Moral Dilemmas of Doctors.”

2. Dangerous Confessions ~ The Detective

26 The back door of the apartment: Brief for Defendant at 3, *State v. Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d 53 (Ill. App. Ct. 2011) (No. 2-09-1060),

http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictions/exonerations/documents/RIVERA_Brief.pdf.

26 Someone had washed: Brief for Defendant at 2, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

26 And if you walked right: Brief for Defendant at 2–3, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

26 Dawn Engelbrecht knew: Maurice Possley, “DNA Tests Give Hope to Convict in 1992 Murder,” *Chicago Tribune*, March 26, 2005, http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2005-03-26/news/0503260252_1_dna-tests-test-results-crime-lab.

26 Holly Staker was supposed to be: Possley, “DNA Tests.”

26 A neighbor had noticed him: Possley, “DNA Tests.”

26 No one picked up: Possley, “DNA Tests”; Brief for Defendant at 3, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060). Details about the house and neighborhood were collected using Google Maps and Zillow.

26 It was locked: Andrew Martin, “Baby-sitter’s Murder Victimizes 2 Families,” *Chicago Tribune*, October 23, 1992, http://articles.chicagotribune.com/1992-10-23/news/9204050831_1_apartment-victims-dreams.

26 But when she finally turned: Martin, “Baby-sitter’s Murder”; Phuong Le, “Testimony of Girl IDs Defendant in Slaying,” *Chicago Tribune*, September 18, 1998, http://articles.chicagotribune.com/1998-09-18/news/9809180232_1_testimony-apartment-juan-rivera.

27 A single white tennis shoe: “Juan Rivera Exhibit 2,” *Northwestern Law*, 39, accessed May 5, 2014,

<http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictions/exonerations/documents/RiveraPCEExhibit2.pdf>.

27 A chair in the dining room: Le, “Testimony”; “Juan Rivera Exhibit 2,” 39.

27 Taylor, the two-year-old: Le, “Testimony.”

27 It was not until the police arrived: Le, “Testimony.”

27 Eleven-year-old Holly: Le, “Testimony”; “Juan Rivera Exhibit 2,” 39.

27 She had been stabbed: Brief for Defendant at 3, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

27 A year later, twelve jurors: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 55, <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictions/exonerations/documents/Outright-Reversal.pdf>.

27 Juan—a petty criminal: Andrew Martin, “The Prosecution’s Case Against DNA,” *New York Times*, November 25, 2011, <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/11/27/magazine/dna-evidence-lake-county.html?pagewanted=all>; “Juan Rivera,” *The National Registry of Exonerations*, accessed May 8, 2014, <https://www.law.umich.edu/special/exoneration/Pages/casedetail.aspx?caseid=3850>.

27 Guilty: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 55.

27 And so it went at the second trial: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 55–56.

27 It had always been there: Andrew Martin, “Illinois: Inmate Cleared by DNA Is Freed,” *New York Times*, January 6, 2012, <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/01/07/us/illinois-inmate-cleared-by-dna-is-freed.html>; Martin, “Prosecution’s Case.”

27 A vaginal swab had been collected: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 60.

27 But after being labeled: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 56.

27 The semen in the sample: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 59.

28 It took four more years: Andrew Martin, “Court Reverses Conviction of Man Jailed for 19 Years in Rape and Murder,” *New York Times*, December 10, 2011, <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/12/11/us/illinois-court-reverses-conviction-of-man-jailed-in-rape-murder.html>.

28 With the lab test: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 62.

28 The prosecution didn’t back away: Martin, “Court Reverses Conviction.”

28 The problem for the prosecution: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 63.

28 Semen tends to drain into underwear: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 59.

28 That meant that the prosecution: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 63.

28 The account seemed implausible: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 63.

28 When they returned, they were met: Lisa Black and Ruth Fuller, “3rd Life Sentence for Girl’s Murder,” *Chicago Tribune*, June 26, 2009, <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-090626juan-rivera,0,3431141.story>.

28 Juan, on the threshold: Black and Fuller, “3rd life sentence.”

28 It was a verdict that: Black and Fuller, “3rd Life Sentence.”

28 It wasn’t just that none: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 59–60, 62; Brief for Defendant at 38, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

29 There were also phone records: Brief for Defendant at 22, 26, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060); Martin, “Prosecution’s Case.”

29 Yet, despite Juan’s alibi: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 57, 61-62; Brief for Defendant at 17, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

29 As Holly’s sister later: Martin, “Prosecution’s Case.”

29 Indeed, the esteemed father: John Henry Wigmore, *A Treatise on the Anglo-American System of Evidence in Trials at Common Law*, 2nd ed., vol. 2 (Boston: Little, Brown, 1923), § 835.

29 The potency of this assumption: Experimental evidence shows that people place great weight on confessions. Saul M. Kassin and Gisli H. Gudjonsson, “The Psychology of Confessions: A Review of the Literature and Issues,” *Psychological Science in the Public Interest* 5 (2004): 56–59; Saul M. Kassin, Christian A. Meissner, and Rebecca J. Norwick, “‘I’d Know a False Confession If I Saw One’: A Comparative Study of College Students and Police Investigators,” *Law and Human Behavior* 34 (2005): 211–227; Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions: Risk Factors and Recommendations,” *Law and Human Behavior* 34 (2010): 24–25. For an overview of some of that research, see Dan Simon, *In Doubt: The Psychology of the Criminal Justice System* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2012), 160–62. The power of the confession is not lost on members of the judiciary. According to Supreme Court Justice Byron White, “the defendant’s own confession is probably the most probative and damaging evidence that can be admitted against him. Though itself an out-of-court statement, it is admitted as reliable evidence because it is an admission of guilt by the defendant and constitutes direct evidence of the facts to which it relates. Even the testimony of an eyewitness may be less reliable than the defendant’s own confession. An observer may not correctly perceive, understand, or remember the acts of another, but the admissions of a defendant come from the actor himself, the most knowledgeable and unimpeachable source of information about his past conduct. Certainly, confessions have profound impact on the jury, so much so that we may justifiably doubt its ability to put them out of mind even if told to do so.” *Bruton v. United States*, 391 U.S. 123, 139–40 (1968) (White, J., dissenting).

29 We expect people to be consistent: Sam Sommers, *Situations Matter* (New York: Riverhead Books, 2011), 30.

29 In a famous study documenting: Edward Jones and Victor Harris, “The Attribution of Attitudes,” *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology* 3 (1967): 1, 4.

29 Despite being told that: Jones and Harris, “Attribution of Attitudes,” 1, 4–6.

30 As Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black: *Chambers v. Florida*, 309 U.S. 227, 237–38 (1940).

30 Indeed, before the 1930s: Simon, *In Doubt*, 132; Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 6. For a review of the coercive police practices—from beating with a rubber hose and simulated suffocation to deprivation of sleep and food, see R. A. Leo, “The Third Degree and the Origins of Psychological Police Interrogation in the United States,” in *Interrogations, Confessions, and Entrapment*, ed. G. Daniel Lassiter (New York: Kluwer Academic, 2004), 37–84.

30 But that has been abandoned: Simon, *In Doubt*, 134–35. Of course, it is worth noting that, well prior to the 1930s, the Supreme Court made clear that an admissible confession had to be “free and voluntary” and “must not be extracted by any sort of threats or violence.” *Bram v. United States*, 168 U.S. 532, 542–43 (1897). It just took a few more decades for police practice to match the judicial rhetoric.

30 Juan Rivera, though, did falsely confess: Confessions, as a general matter, are fairly common, despite what we might imagine. It appears that there is a full confession or, at least, an incriminating statement made in about half of all interrogations. Simon, *In Doubt*, 120; Saul M. Kassin et al., “Police Interviewing and Interrogation: A Self-Report Survey of Police Practices and Beliefs,” *Law and Human Behavior*, 31 (2007): 395.

One of the first American episodes of false confession came during the Salem witch trials in 1692, when dozens of women admitted to practicing witchcraft. Kassir et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 4; Carol F. Karlsen, *The Devil in the Shape of a Woman: Witchcraft in Colonial New England* (New York: W.W. Norton & Company, 1998). However, false confessions are not an American phenomenon and have been documented in Germany, Canada, Ireland, China, Japan, and numerous other countries. Kassir et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 5.

30 False confessions and incriminating statements: Innocence Project, “DNA Exonerations Nationwide,” accessed May 6, 2014, http://www.innocenceproject.org/Content/DNA_Exonerations_Nationwide.php.

30 More broadly, they appear to have: “DNA Exonerations Nationwide.”

30 These cases tend to confound: Simon, *In Doubt*, 134–36. In one sample, more than 30 percent of the reviewed cases of false confession involved more than one innocent person confessing. Steven A. Drizin and Richard A. Leo, “The Problem of False Confessions in the Post-DNA World,” *North Carolina Law Review* 82 (2004): 972.

30 Indeed, in one of the most famous: The boys were subjected to lengthy interrogations and immediately retracted their statements after being arrested. However, they were all convicted and sent to prison, until the true rapist confessed and agreed to a DNA test. Brandon L. Garrett, *Convicting the Innocent: Where Criminal Prosecutions Go Wrong* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2011), 31; “Central Park Jogger (1989),” *New York Times*, October 3, 2012, http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/subjects/c/central_park_jogger_case_1989/index.html; Kassir et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 4.

30 While some who falsely confess: Simon, *In Doubt*, 121. For a discussion of the different types of confessions, see Lawrence S. Wrightsman and Saul M. Kassir, *Confessions in the*

Courtroom (Newbury Park, CA: Sage, 2003), 84–93. The focus in this chapter is on coerced confessions. There is an entirely separate category of truly voluntary false confessions, which may emerge particularly following highly publicized crimes. Two hundred people, for example, are known to have confessed to the kidnapping of Charles Lindbergh’s infant son. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 14.

30 The generally accepted gold standard: Fred E. Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions*, 5th ed. (Burlington, MA: Jones & Barlett Learning, 2013); Simon, *In Doubt*, 121–22; Garrett, *Convicting the Innocent*, 22. Hundreds of thousands of investigators in North America, Europe, and Asia have been trained in the Reid technique. Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, viii.

30 Using the Reid approach: Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 3–7, 187. Investigators following the Reid technique may ask “behavior-provoking questions” (e.g., “Jim, under any circumstances do you think the person who started that fire should be given a second chance?”) meant to induce revealing behavior, like fidgeting with one’s hands, averting one’s gaze, and freezing up. Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 155, 161; Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 6.

31 And far from correcting: Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 101–37; Simon, *In Doubt*, 127–28.

31 Indeed, it is innocent people: Simon, *In Doubt*, 140.

31 They tend to assume: There is some evidence that being innocent may actually increase one’s risk of falsely confessing. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 22–23.; Simon, *In Doubt*, 140.

31 Since they didn’t commit the crime: Simon, *In Doubt*, 140.

31 But, in reality, once the interrogation: Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 185–327; Simon, *In Doubt*, 133.

31 To this end, the Reid manual: Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 12. The Reid manual, for instance, suggests bringing in a false evidence file into the interview room along with “other visual props, such as a DVD disc, CD-ROM, audio tape, a fingerprint card, an evidence bag containing hair or other fibers, spent shell casings, vials of colored liquid, and others.” Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 192.

31 As a result, the environment: Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 7; Simon, *In Doubt*, 134.

31 Many who falsely confess later say: Simon, *In Doubt*, 134; Brandon Garrett, *Convicting the Innocent*, 18.

31 And experimental evidence suggests: It has been hypothesized that because resisting accusations during an interrogation appears to result in stress-related bodily changes, it may be that participants falsely confess simply to relieve heavy physiologic stress. Max Guehl et al., “Innocence and Resisting Confession During Interrogation: Effects on Physiologic Activity,” *Law and Human Behavior* 37 (2013): 8, doi: 10.1037/lhb0000044.

31 When we have an opportunity: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 65–66.

32 According to the nine steps: Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 7.

32 The officer might suggest that: Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 217–18; Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 12.

32 Empirical evidence suggests that both of these: While the minimization technique appears to lead people to believe that they are being promised lenient treatment, maximization tends to be interpreted as a threat. Kassin and Gudjonsson, “The Psychology of Confessions,” 53-55; Saul

M. Kassin and Karlyn McNall, “Police Interrogations and Confessions: Communicating Promises and Threats by Pragmatic Implication,” *Law and Human Behavior*, 15 (1991): 233–51; Melissa B. Russano et al., “Investigating True and False Confessions Within a Novel Experimental Paradigm,” *Psychological Science* 16 (2005): 481–86. For an overview of this literature, see Simon, *In Doubt*, 135–38; Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 12.

32 And the effects are not small: Russano et al., “Investigating True and False Confessions,” 483–84. The minimization prompt provided in the main text is just one example of those used in the experiment.

32 When the interrogator added: Russano et al., “Investigating True and False Confessions,” 484. It should be noted that the fifth edition of the Reid manual contains numerous asides offering cautions and caveats, some of which nod to the concerns raised in this chapter. The problem is that, looking at the manual as a whole from a typical reader’s perspective, it is hard to view them as anything but exceptions (e.g., gaze aversion is a good way to tell someone is lying, but there are a couple of exceptions). Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 161. Indeed, the Reid manual may pose *more* of a threat now: while the problematic core has been preserved, the current edition contains sufficient hedges and scientific asides to convince judges that it is unlikely to encourage false confessions.

32 Despite these serious concerns: It is not as if the Supreme Court has failed to grasp the importance of a confession. In the case of *Colorado v. Connelly*, the Court explained that “the introduction of a confession makes the other aspects of a trial in a court superfluous, and the real trial, for all practical purposes, occurs when the confession is obtained.” *Colorado v. Connelly*, 479 U.S. 157, 182 (1986). So, the failure of the Court to make changes to eliminate false

confessions likely reflects mistaken beliefs about the prevalence of such incidents and a fear of constraining police officers and prosecutors.

32 While the Supreme Court has formally: *Bram v. United States*, 168 U.S. 532, 542–43 (1897); Simon, *In Doubt*, 134–36. For instance, a review of cases revealed numerous instances where judges allowed confessions gained after interrogators offered what amounted to a prohibited “deal” (i.e., if you confess, we will make sure you get a lesser sentence). Welsh S. White, *Miranda’s Waning Protections: Police Interrogation Practices after Dickerson* (Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press, 2006). Indeed, while the language that the Supreme Court used in *Bram v. United States* would suggest a firm ban on minimization techniques, the case has been a weak and often nonexistent constraint on such practices. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 12.

32 Further, the justices have explicitly sanctioned: Simon, *In Doubt*, 135; Garrett, *Convicting the Innocent*, 23; Kassin and Gudjonsson, “The Psychology of Confessions,” 54. The Supreme Court has made it clear that deception by the police is not enough by itself to make a confession involuntary. *Frazier v. Cupp*, 394 U.S. 731 (1969); Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 13. That said, some state courts have barred the actual construction of false evidence (e.g., fake crime lab reports), while continuing to allow the police to lie to the suspect about the existence of incriminating evidence. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 13.

32 In one of the most tragic cases: David K. Shipler, “Why Do Innocent People Confess?” *New York Times*, February 23, 2012, <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/02/26/opinion/sunday/why-do-innocent-people-confess.html?pagewanted=all>.

33 Investigators suspected that Martin: Shipler, “Innocent People Confess.”

33 After the fake conversation: Shipler, “Innocent People Confess.” The interrogator also lied and said that strands of Martin’s hair were found in his mother’s hand and that a “humidity test” had revealed that he had showered to remove the blood on his body. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 17.

33 The father, in fact, never came to: Shipler, “Innocent People Confess.”

33 His case involved two: Simon, *In Doubt*, 140; Gross et al., “Exonerations in the United States 1989 Through 2003,” *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* 95 (Winter 2005): 523–60.

33 A disproportionate number of verified: Those who are young, low in intelligence, or mentally disabled have demonstrated particular susceptibility to coercion and a strong desire to defer to or please interrogators. Garrett, *Convicting the Innocent*, 38; Simon, *In Doubt*, 140.

33 At the time of his arrest: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 59–60; “Juan Rivera, Center on Wrongful Convictions,” *Northwestern Law*, accessed May 6, 2014, <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictions/exonerations/il/juan-rivera.html>.

33 Among other mental illnesses: Brief for Defendant at 26, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

33 Despite these warning signs: “Juan Rivera, Center on Wrongful Convictions.” His mental health conditions were disclosed to the police on a Mental Data Sheet before the first polygraph. Brief for Defendant at 5, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

33 It took four days: “Juan Rivera, Center on Wrongful Convictions.”

33 But the police, as they often do: “Juan Rivera, Center on Wrongful Convictions.”

34 Although the polygraphs administered: Brief for Defendant at 77, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060). It is worth noting that, in experiments, falsely telling participants that a polygraph shows that

they committed a violation increases the number of people who admit to that violation. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions,” 17.

34 Rivera immediately became upset: Brief for Defendant at 7–8, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 At around midnight: Brief for Defendant at 9, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 He wasn’t able to get the words out: Brief for Defendant at 9, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 Over the next few hours: Brief for Defendant at 9–10, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 By 3 a.m., the officers had: Brief for Defendant at 11, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 Rivera, left on his own: Brief for Defendant at 11, 27, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 Moved to a padded cell: Brief for Defendant at 11, 27, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 The nurse on duty described him: Brief for Defendant at 11–12, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 When she checked back: Brief for Defendant at 12, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 Returning in the early morning: Brief for Defendant at 12, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 The document, though, was so inconsistent: Brief for Defendant at 13, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

34 The two detectives: Brief for Defendant at 13, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

35 These interrogators focused on: Brief for Defendant at 15, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

35 After a few more hours: Brief for Defendant at 15, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060).

35 Questions like: Brief for Defendant at 15, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060); Simon, *In Doubt*, 136.

35 Information that only the real perpetrator: Simon, *In Doubt*, 136.

35 Juan Rivera discussed the crime: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 67; Brief for Defendant at 5, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060); Brief for Respondent at 7, *Rivera* (No. 2-09-1060), http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictions/exonerations/documents/Rivera_States2011Brief.pdf.

35 Moreover, at least fifteen: *Rivera*, 962 N.E. 2d at 65–66. It is notable that a significant number of false confessions cases have involved taking the suspect to the crime scene. Garrett, *Convicting the Innocent*, 33.

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3. The Criminal Mind ~ The Suspect

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2%22frank+masters%22-all.

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43 Nonetheless, Dr. Johnston: “Criminal Sittings.”

43 So, despite Masters’ pleas: “Criminal Sittings.”

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Medieval Europeans, for example, commonly resorted to branding and mutilation, and there are recorded examples in the American colonies as well. Cole, *Suspect Identities*, 7. Many readers will be familiar with Hester Prynne’s scarlet letter *A*, but an alphabet soup of marks existed to convey to any onlooker the particular criminal character of the man or woman in question. Cole, *Suspect Identities*, 7; James A. Cox, “Bilboes, Brands, and Branks: Colonial Crimes and Punishments,” *Colonial Williamsburg Journal*, Spring 2003, <http://www.history.org/foundation/journal/spring03/branks.cfm>. In Maryland, each county had an array of branding irons: *F* for forgery, *H* for stealer of hogs, *M* for manslaughter, *SL* for seditious libel, *R* for rogue, and *T* for thief. Cox, “Bilboes, Brands, and Branks.” The camera rendered such markings unnecessary—with a photographic record linking a man to his bad act, a preexisting mole or crooked nose could provide the same information.

The British and French recorded images of prisoners as early as the 1840s. Cole, *Suspect Identities*, 20. And, in the subsequent decades in the United States, police departments began to assemble “rogues’ galleries” that could be displayed for members of the police—and sometimes the public—to view hundreds of photographs of known criminals in order to be able to note them later. Cole, *Suspect Identities*, 20-21. By comparing and cataloguing these photos, physiognomists hoped to capture the signs of criminal nature in the body with great accuracy. Cole, *Suspect Identities*, 24.

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- 70 His seventh and final date:** Thompson, “The Prosecution Rests.”
- 70 In a last-ditch effort:** *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1375 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).
- 70 It was less than a month:** Bandes, “The Lone Miscreant,” 715.
- 70 And then there it was:** *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1375 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).
- 70 B, it said:** *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1375 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).
- 70 Thompson had type O blood:** *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1375 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).
- 70 He was innocent:** *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1375 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).
- 70 Thompson was finally able:** Bandes, “The Lone Miscreant,” 722–23.

70 At the new trial: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1357 n. 2.

70 It took the jurors only: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1376 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).

70 After more than eighteen years: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1376 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).

During his time in prison, Thompson spent fourteen years on death row. *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. 1350 at 1370 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting).

70 Prosecutors are mostly upstanding: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1366.

70 Prosecutors know their: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1362–63, 1365–66.

71 And in the Court’s view: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1362–63, 1366.

71 After being released: Keenan, “The Myth of Prosecutorial Accountability,” 207.

71 But when the case made it: Thompson, “The Prosecution Rests.”

71 In the majority’s opinion: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1362–63, 1366.

71 Similarly, Justice Scalia, in a concurrence: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1368–69 (Scalia, J., concurring).

71 Deegan, in this framing: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1368 (Scalia, J., concurring).

71 If you had a large barrel: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1366 (Scalia, J., concurring). When news of the Supreme Court’s dismissal of Thompson’s case reached the current district attorney in New Orleans, Leon A. Cannizzaro, Jr., he offered a similar assessment that this was nothing more than “the intentional, unethical and illegal acts of a rogue prosecutor.” Adam Liptak, “\$14 Million Jury Award to Ex-Inmate Is Dismissed,” *New York Times*, March 29, 2011, accessed April 21, 2014, http://www.nytimes.com/2011/03/30/us/30scotus.html?_r=0; “Orleans Parish District Attorney,” accessed April 21, 2014, <http://orleansda.com/the-d-a/>.

71 Yes, we should expect: The Nazis at Nuremberg had lawyers. “Nuremberg Trials,” History.com, accessed April 21, 2014, <http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/nuremberg->

trials. So did McVeigh and Madoff. “McVeigh’s Former Lawyer Speaks Out,” CBS News, June 11, 2001, <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/mcveighs-former-lawyer-speaks-out/>; “Ira Sorkin, Lawyer for Bernie Madoff, Leaves Dickstein Shapiro,” *JD Journal*, November 3, 2010, <http://www.jdjournal.com/2010/11/03/ira-sorkin-lawyer-for-bernie-madoff-leaves-dickstein-shapiro/>. One of O.J.’s attorneys, Harvard Law professor Alan Dershowitz has said that he would represent “a worthless son of a bitch on their way to hell.” Walter Stern, “Dershowitz Defends His Defense of Bad People,” *Yale Herald*, February 5, 1999, <http://www.yaleherald.com/archive/xxvii/1999.02.05/news/dersg.html>. And these jackals seem more than happy to use any trick or lie in the book to pull the wool over the eyes of the judge, jury, and public.

A slight variation on this common conception of the lawyer is that it is not so much that he is *immoral* than that he is *amoral*. And this amorality leads lawyers to willingly act dishonestly when it is in their interests to do so (i.e., when the benefits outweigh the costs). Lawyers look at (1) what is to be gained and (2) the likelihood of being caught and do a simple calculation.

These notions of the character of the attorney are ever-present in our culture. If you look at depictions of lawyers in films, television series, and popular fiction, you will generally find two stock characters. The first is the good lawyer: the selfless hero, true to his principles, defending the disenfranchised and the downtrodden and fighting for justice. Carrie Menkel-Meadow, “Can They Do That? Legal Ethics in Popular Culture,” 48 *UCLA Law Review* 1305, 1315 (2001). Atticus Finch, Clarence Darrow, and Perry Mason are all in this mold. Menkel-Meadow, “Can They Do That?” 1315. The second is the bad lawyer: the greedy and unethical predator, manipulative, back-stabbing, and vicious. Michael Asimow, “Embodiment of Evil:

Law Firms in the Movies,” 48 *UCLA Law Review* 1339, 1341 (2001). Here, we have law firm associate Fletcher Reed, Jim Carrey’s character in *Liar Liar*, who revels in his mendacity, until his son casts a spell that compels him to speak only the truth, seriously endangering his job at the firm where lying is a way of life. Asimow, “Embodiment of Evil,” 1356–57. Or we have managing partner John Milton, played by Al Pacino in *The Devil’s Advocate* who is actually (spoiler alert) Satan. Asimow, “Embodiment of Evil,” 1357–58. John Grisham’s books and the resultant slew of movie adaptations are filled with these despicable characters ready to break the rules whenever they have a chance. Asimow, “Embodiment of Evil,” 1352–54. Dishonesty seems to infect even the more sympathetic of Grisham’s lawyers, including Rudy—the fresh-faced attorney (played by a young, fresh-faced Matt Damon) going up against an evil insurance company—in *The Rainmaker* who explains, “each time you try a case, you step over the line. You do it enough times and you forget where the line is.” Asimow, “Embodiment of Evil,” 1354.

Grisham’s oeuvre embodies what some researchers believe has been a shift toward more negative depictions of lawyers, particularly in the last three or four decades, which may be tied to a loss of faith in lawyers generally during this time period. Asimow, “Embodiment of Evil,” 1371. The dishonest lawyer is now *all* lawyers: a stock character in late-night stand-up routines, *New Yorker* cartoons, and, if my life has been any guidance, the jokes of older family friends upon hearing that you are in law school or have been admitted to the bar.

“How does an attorney sleep? First he lies on one side, then he lies on the other.” “Lawyer Joke Collection,” last modified October 31, 2010, <http://www.iciclesoftware.com/LawJokes/IcicleLawJokes.html>.

“How many lawyers does it take to screw in a lightbulb? Three. One to climb the ladder. One to shake it. And one to sue the ladder company.” “Lawyer Joke Collection.”

Today, when I tell people I'm a lawyer, I expect about half the time, I'll get a groan and good-natured cut down. And unsurprisingly, in polls measuring confidence in public institutions, law firms rank at the bottom. Harris Interactive, "Confidence in Congress Stays at Lowest Point In Almost Fifty Years," May 21, 2012, <http://www.harrisinteractive.com/NewsRoom/HarrisPolls/tabid/447/ctl/ReadCustom%20Default/mid/1508/ArticleId/1068/Default.aspx>. In 2012, only 12 percent of the public expressed that they had a great deal of confidence in the leadership of law firms. Harris Interactive, "Confidence in Congress."

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According to a recent estimate by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, unethical actions cost businesses in the United States about 7 percent of their annual revenues—a mindboggling \$1 trillion hit to our economy. Francesca Gino et al., "Unable to Resist Temptation: How Self-Control Depletion Promotes Unethical Behavior," *Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes* 115 (2011): 191–92.

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Peña, “Studies Find More Students Cheating, With High Achievers No Exception,” *New York Times*, September 7, 2012, <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/09/08/education/studies-show-more-students-cheat-even-high-achievers.html>; Amy Novotney, “Beat the Cheat,” *Monitor on Psychology* 42 (2011): 54, <http://www.apa.org/monitor/2011/06/cheat.aspx>. An analysis of 14,000 undergraduates found that two-thirds admitted to cheating on various tests and assignments. Novotney, “Beat the Cheat,” 54.

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<http://www.treasury.gov/irsob/reports/2012/IRSOB~Taxpayer%20Attitude%20Survey%202012.pdf>; Internal Revenue Service, “Tax Gap”; Rebecca Jarvis, “America at Tax Time: What Cheaters Cost Us,” CBS News, April 16, 2012, http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-3445_162-

57414288/america-at-tax-time-what-cheaters-cost-us/; Kevin McCoy, “IRS Struggling to Combat Rise in Tax Fraud,” *USA Today*, April 15, 2012; Adam Davidson et al., “What’s the Easiest Way to Cheat on Your Taxes,” *New York Times*, April 3, 2012, http://www.nytimes.com/2012/04/08/magazine/whats-the-easiest-way-to-cheat-on-your-taxes.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0. When the IRS Oversight Board conducted a survey in 2011, 84 percent of participants reported that it was “not at all acceptable to cheat on one’s income taxes.” Jarvis, “What Cheaters Cost Us.” Tax cheating is so widespread that even those who are most likely to get caught and have the most to lose seem unable to resist. Right after President Obama first took office in 2009, for example, he immediately had to deal with the controversy related to three of his high-profile nominees acknowledging that they failed to pay certain income taxes. Jeff Zeleny, “Daschle Ends Bid for Post, Obama Concedes Mistake,” *New York Times*, February 3, 2009, <http://www.nytimes.com/2009/02/04/us/politics/04obama.html?adxnnl=1&adxnnlx=1358357494-69yNRPiCWFllvL3DdUjLxA>.

75 If we want to understand why: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 39.

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75 And therein lies the key: Some experts have theorized that deceiving ourselves is beneficial because it means that we are less likely to manifest to others that we are dishonest. Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 142.

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75 And the greater the distance: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 59.

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The experiment parallels the experience of the worker who steals office supplies but not cash, or

the shopper who receives an unexpected “discount”: it’s easy to justify not returning to a department store to remedy a \$20 undercharge on our credit card but very difficult to rationalize taking a \$20 bill out of the cash register—despite the fact that the ultimate harm to the store is the same. In another study of this dynamic, when researchers asked golfers about how comfortable the average golfer would be cheating in different ways, participants reported that moving the ball with the club would be most comfortable, followed by kicking it with a shoe, followed by picking it up with the hand. Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 58–59. The more distance between the golfer (or customer, student, or employee) and the clearly impermissible act or undeniable harm, the easier to act dishonestly and maintain a positive self-view. Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 59.

77 Since Thompson was on death row: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1374 (Ginsburg, J., dissenting); Lithwick, “Cruel but Not Unusual.”

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77 Although we can’t know for sure: Lithwick, “Cruel but Not Unusual.”

78 Other common types of prosecutorial misconduct: Possley and Armstrong, “The Flip Side of a Fair Trial.”

78 It can also feel like: Shu, Gino, and Bazerman, “Dishonest Deed, Clear Conscience,” 331.

78 Researchers have begun to look more: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 197–201; Francesca Gino, Shahar Ayal, and Dan Ariely, “Contagion and Differentiation in Unethical Behavior,” *Psychological Science* 20, no. 3 (2009): 393–98.

78 In a recent study, psychologists had: Gino, Ayal, and Ariely, “Contagion and Differentiation,” 395.

79 One of the “test-takers,” who was: Gino, Ayal, and Ariely, “Contagion and Differentiation,” 395.

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79 It did, but only when: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 204–06; Gino, Ayal, and Ariely, “Contagion and Differentiation,” 396.

79 When he was wearing a rival: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 204–06; Gino, Ayal, and Ariely, “Contagion and Differentiation,” 396.

79 Responding to Justice Scalia’s characterization: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1366 (Scalia, J., concurring); Liptak, “\$14 Million Jury Award to Ex-Inmate Is Dismissed.”

79 As she described: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1370 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting).

79 Bruce Whittaker, the prosecutor who had: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1372 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting); *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1356.

80 But neither man turned it over: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1356; *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1372 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting).

80 Then Deegan, who was working: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1356.

80 Neither Williams nor Deegan mentioned: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1356.

80 There were other critical materials: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1372 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting).

80 Thompson’s attorneys might have seriously: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1374 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting).

80 Likewise, the defense team might have: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1374 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting).

80 And, critically, Thompson’s attorneys: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1374 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting).

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80 As Justice Ginsburg put it: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1370 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting).

80 District Attorney Connick himself: *Connick*, 131 S. Ct. at 1378 (Ginsberg, J, dissenting); Emily Bazelon, “Playing Dirty in the Big Easy,” *Slate*, April 18, 2012, http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/crime/2012/04/new_orleans_district_attorney_1_eon_cannizzaro_is_being_questioned_for_his_ethics_in_pursuing_convictions_.html.

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81 This explains, in part, how: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 137.

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81 You might expect that the fake: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 125.

81 According to the researchers: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 126.

81–82 And they also viewed: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 132–34.

82 It is easy to see how: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 136.

82 Initially, a colleague or superior: Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 136.

- 82 Awareness of that transgression may:** Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 136.
- 82 After the initial breach of ethics:** Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 136.
- 82 Making matters worse, the research predicts:** Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 132–34.
- 82 As improbable as it sounds:** Shu, Gino, and Bazerman, “Dishonest Deed, Clear Conscience,” 331.
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- 82 In one experiment, scientists looked:** Ariely, *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty*, 177–78.
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Simon, *In Doubt*, 231–32 n. 39.

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[sickening.html?module=Search&mabReward=relbias%3Ar%2C%7B%221%22%3A%22RI%3A5%22%7D](http://www.nytimes.com/1991/03/22/us/bush-calls-police-beating-sickening.html?module=Search&mabReward=relbias%3Ar%2C%7B%221%22%3A%22RI%3A5%22%7D). Bill Clinton, who would be elected president in the fall, remarked, “Like most of America I saw the tape of the beatings several times, and it certainly looks excessive to me”

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135 The evidence was so clear: Rosenthal, “Bush Calls Police Beating ‘Sickening.’”

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135 And Darryl F. Gates, the police chief: Mydans, “Los Angeles Policemen Acquitted.”

135 On April 29, 1992, all four: Mydans, “The Police Verdict.”

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135 The removal of the case: David Margolick, “As Venues Are Changed, Many Ask How Important a Role Race Should Play,” *New York Times*, May 23, 1992, <http://www.nytimes.com/1992/05/23/us/as-venues-are-changed-many-ask-how-important-a-role-race-should-play.html?module=Search&mabReward=relbias:r,{%221=%22:=%22RI:7=%22}=&pagewanted=1>.

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136 They looked at his relaxed body: *The Rodney King Incident*.

136 They listened to his measured voice: *The Rodney King Incident*.

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136 They met his gaze: *The Rodney King Incident*; Christine Pelisek, “L.A. Riots Anniversary: Stacey Koon’s Disturbing Testimony,” *Daily Beast*, April 28, 2012, <http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2012/04/28/1-a-riots-anniversary-stacey-koon-s-disturbing-testimony.html>. Here, the defense attorney Darryl Mounger had asked Koon why King had been beaten so violently. Koon was quite forthright that it was a violent and brutal beating, but emphasized that it was necessary to “control an aggressive combative suspect.” Pelisek, “L.A. Riots Anniversary.”

136 They took it all in: *The Rodney King Incident*.

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136 Duke, a former LAPD self-defense instructor: *The Rodney King Incident*.

136 Barrel-chested with a brown mustache: *The Rodney King Incident*. Unsurprisingly, jurors are less likely to accept what an expert says when there is a salient reason to think he might be biased. Owen D. Jones et al., “Neuroscientists in Court,” *Nature Review Neuroscience* 14 (2013): 732. The prosecution’s expert on use of force, Commander Michael Bostic, was effectively discredited when the defense team raised the suggestion that Bostic was simply acting as a mouthpiece for the L.A. police chief—his boss—who wanted the officers convicted so he could wipe away the problem. Linda Deutsch, “Witness Denies Being Influenced by Gates,” *Los Angeles Times*, April 14, 1992, http://articles.latimes.com/1992-04-14/local/me-1_1_excessive-force. By focusing our attention on salient biases like this, we may overlook more powerful skew that lies below the surface.

136 “I never form an opinion”: “Excerpts from the LAPD Officers’ Trial,” *Famous Trials*, accessed August 27, 2014, <http://law2.umkc.edu/faculty/projects/ftrials/lapd/kingtranscript.html>.

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137 Just as important: Nichols, *Blurred Boundaries*, 30.

137 Duke, trading on the power: Carolyn Boyes-Watson, *Crime and Justice: Learning Through Cases* (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2014), 220. Steven Chermak and Frankie Y. Bailey, eds., *Crimes and Trials of the Century Volume 1: From the Black Sox Scandal to the Attica Prison Riots*, (Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 2007), 148; *The Rodney King Incident*; “Excerpts from the LAPD Officers’ Trial.”

137 It seemed like an entirely natural: Helen E. Allison and Richard J. Hobbs, *Science and Policy in Natural Resource Management: Understanding System Complexity* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2006), 85.

137 And the particular techniques: Allen Feldman, “On Cultural Anesthesia: From Desert Storm to Rodney King,” *American Ethnologist* 21, no. 2 (May 1994): 411.

137 Duke’s air of objective authority: Feldman, “On Cultural Anesthesia,” 411.

137 Even more masterful: Feldman, “On Cultural Anesthesia,” 412.

137 His approach focused the attention: Feldman, “On Cultural Anesthesia,” 412.

138 We assume that the result: There is an evolutionary narrative here, too: with capacities honed over 250,000 generations—five million years since we diverged with our chimpanzee siblings—it stands to reason that we are no amateurs when it comes to spotting liars and miscreants. Paul H. Robinson, Robert Kurzban, and Owen Jones, “The Origins of Shared Intuitions of Justice,” *Vanderbilt Law Review* 60 (2007): 1643 n. 35. To gain the significant benefits of group living, we had to minimize the costs. Robinson, Kurzban, and Jones, “The Origins,” 1647–49. Those less able to discern deception, deceit, and dishonesty in the people around them would have been at a comparative disadvantage in the competition to survive and pass on their genes. Robinson, Kurzban, and Jones, “The Origins,” 1647–49. Evolutionary pressures, then, left us natural-born experts in lie detection—or so we assume.

138 The Model Criminal Jury Instructions: “About the Court,” United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, <http://www.ca3.uscourts.gov/about-court>; MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS: CREDIBILITY OF WITNESSES § 3.04 (3d Cir. 2012).

138 Before trial, Third Circuit judges: MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS §3.04.

139 Detecting lies isn’t rocket science: MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS §3.04.

139 Jurors don't even have to: You must, however, be over the age of eighteen to serve on a federal jury. "Juror Qualifications, Exemptions and Excuses," United States Courts, accessed May 18, 2014, <http://www.uscourts.gov/FederalCourts/JuryService/JurorQualificaitons.aspx>.

139 Our system of justice celebrates: MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS: ROLE OF THE JURY § 1.02 (3d Cir. 2012).

139 Those officially designated as experts: FED. R. EVID. 702.

139 In the Third Circuit, for example: MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS: OPINION EVIDENCE (EXPERT WITNESSES) § 2.09 (3d Cir. 2012).

139 In fact, a juror "may disregard": MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS § 2.09.

140 In experiments and surveys: Dan Simon, "The Limited Diagnosticity of Criminal Trials," *Vanderbilt Law Review* 64 (2011): 175–76. And it is not just Americans or Westerners who put a lot of stock in the link between truth and maintaining eye contact, either—when researchers surveyed respondents from over fifty countries, some two-thirds of people suggested that averting one's gaze was linked to lying. Simon, "Limited Diagnosticity," 176.

140 Police officers and others: Simon, "Limited Diagnosticity," 175–76.

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140 And to do that: Fred E. Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions* (Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett Learning, 2011), 121. According to the Reid technique, by asking

challenging questions, a police officer can elicit different posture, eye contact, facial expressions, and movements of the hands and feet based on whether the suspect is being honest or deceitful. “The Reid Technique,” John E. Reid & Associates, Inc. At the opening of the chapter “Behavior Symptom Analysis,” the Reid technique manual quotes from *Hamlet*: “There is a kind of confession in your looks, which your modesties have not craft enough to color.” Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 101.

140 So, for example, “a suspect”: Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 135. While embracing gaze aversion as a relevant cue to lying, the Reid manual does caution that averted gaze can occasionally arise from eye disability, psychological disorders, or cultural differences. Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 135.

140 Knowing the signs of deceit: Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation*, 121–134; “Beyond Good Cop/Bad Cop.” Since this training manual, and others like it, cast the notion that these “tells” reveal lying as a general truism, it’s no surprise that police officers rely on these cues in a variety of circumstances outside of interviewing suspects, from talking to witnesses at a crime scene to routine traffic stops.

140 Similarly, in evaluating the believability: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 174.

140 In the Third Circuit, for example: MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS §3.04.

140 Indeed, we have such faith: Max Minzner, “Detecting Lies Using Demeanor, Bias, and Context,” *Cardozo Law Review* 29 (2008): 2559; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 174. A strong belief in the power of demeanor evidence underlies some of the core structures of our criminal justice system. Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 174. As the Supreme Court explained, the great benefit of the Confrontation Clause requirement that witnesses testify in person is that it provides the accused with “an opportunity . . . of compelling [the witness] to stand face to face with the

jury in order that they may look at him, and judge by his demeanor upon the stand and the manner in which he gives his testimony whether he is worthy of belief.” *Mattox v. United States*, 156 U.S. 237, 242–43 (1895); *Donnelly v. California*, 228 U.S. 243 (1913) (quoted in Minzner, “Detecting Lies,” 2559). Likewise, one of the reasons that appellate courts defer to the factual determinations of the trial court is that appellate judges are not able to observe the testimony offered in a case. Minzner, “Detecting Lies,” 2559. In the Supreme Court’s view, only those who are there during the actual trial are in a position to “be aware of the variations in demeanor and tone of voice that bear so heavily on the listener’s understanding of and belief in what is said.” *Anderson v. Bessemer City*, 470 U.S. 564, 575 (1985) (quoted in Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 174). Vital information is missed when a judge only reads a transcript of what was said.

140 If a jury watches a defendant: MODEL CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS § 3.04; Minzner, “Detecting Lies,” 2559. Even in less dire circumstances, judgments of witness credibility often turn the direction of trials; and these judgments can also have an effect in the weeks and months before a jury is chosen, as police officers conduct investigations to gather the evidence used by prosecutors. Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 174.

140 The problem is that when: Bella M. DePaulo et al., “Cues to Deception,” *Psychological Bulletin* 129, no. 1 (2003): 90–106; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 176–77.

140 The handful that are somewhat predictive: DePaulo et al., “Cues to Deception,” 92–94; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 176–77.

141 Numerous studies have shown, for example: Lucy Akehurst et al., “Lay Persons’ and Police Officers’ Beliefs Regarding Deceptive Behavior,” *Applied Cognitive Psychology* 10 (1996): 467–68; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 176 n. 140; Siegfried L. Sporer and Barbara

Schwandt, “Moderators of Nonverbal Indicators of Deception: A Meta-Analytic Synthesis,” *Psychology, Public Policy and Law* 13, no. 1 (2007): 1, 19–22; “TSA Should Limit Future Funding for Behavior Detection Activities,” United States Government Accountability Office, November 2013, 17, <http://www.gao.gov/assets/660/658923.pdf>; DePaulo et al., “Cues to Deception,” 93–94; Minzner, “Detecting Lies,” 2565.

141 Even worse, when people are under: Charles F. Bond, Jr., and Bella M. DePaulo, “Accuracy of Deception Judgments,” *Personality and Social Psychology Review* 10, no. 3 (2006): 214, 231; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 178–79.

141 Put the affable and handsome: Maureen O’Sullivan, “The Fundamental Attribution Error in Detecting Deception: The Boy-Who-Cried-Wolf Effect,” *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin* 29, no. 10 (2003): 1316, 1320, 1323–24; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 180.

141 Likewise, tell observers that: Pär Anders Granhag and Leif A. Strömwall, “Effects of Preconceptions on Deception Detection and New Answers to Why Lie-Catchers Often Fail,” *Psychology, Crime and Law* 6 (2000): 197–218; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 180.

141 Initial evidence suggests: Karel Kleisner et al., “Trustworthy-Looking Face Meets Brown Eyes,” *PLOS ONE* 8, no. 1 (2013): 3–6, doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0053285; Public Library of Science, “Brown-eyed People Appear More Trustworthy than Blue-eyed People: People Judge Men’s Trustworthiness Based on Face Shape, Eye Color,” *ScienceDaily*, January 9, 2013, <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/01/130109185850.htm>.

141 According to the researchers: Kleisner et al., “Trustworthy-Looking Face,” 1, 6; Public Library of Science, “Brown-eyed People.” Another theory is that rounder faces are perceived to be more baby-faced, and those with baby faces are viewed as more honest. Kleisner et al., “Trustworthy-Looking Face,” 1, 3–4.

141 In a recent analysis of more than: In the sample, people accurately classified about 60 percent of truths and 48 percent of lies. Bond, Jr., and DePaulo, “Accuracy of Deception Judgments,” 223, 230–31.

141 And the elements that we: Bond, Jr., and DePaulo, “Accuracy of Deception Judgments,” 231.

142 Moreover, the people one might: Bond, Jr., and DePaulo, “Accuracy of Deception Judgments,” 229. This is not to suggest that there is nothing to be done to improve our ability to detect lying. The most promising avenue, though, may have more to do with changing how we interact with the person we are assessing than in somehow bolstering our own detection skills. In the police investigation context, there is initial evidence, for example, that individuals can improve their deceit judgments by initially collecting more information from a person and then confronting that person with inconsistencies in what they’ve said, or by making the individual cognitively work harder to respond to questioning (e.g., making a suspect tell his story starting with the last event first). Simon, *In Doubt*, 126–27; Maria Hartwig et al., “Strategic Use of Evidence During Police Interviews: When Training to Detect Deception Works,” *Law and Human Behavior* 30 (2006): 614–17; Aldert Vrij et al., “Increasing Cognitive Load to Facilitate Lie Detection: The Benefit of Recalling an Event in Reverse Order,” *Law and Human Behavior* 32 (2008): 253, 262–63.

142 Yet just like my students: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 180; Bella M. DePaulo et al., “The Accuracy-Confidence Correlation in the Detection of Deception,” *Personality and Social Psychology Review* 1, no. 4 (1997): 346, 351–56.

142 And, unfortunately, those who are: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 180; DePaulo et al., “Accuracy-Confidence Correlation,” 346, 353–56.

142 Although it would be nice: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 179.

142 First of all, while study participants: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 178.

142 And being unable to attend: United States v. Watson, 483 F.3d 828, 834–35, (D.C. Cir. 2007). At least one court, however, has invalidated a per se rule excluding blind jurors (although it noted that in some cases exclusion may be appropriate). Galloway v. Superior Court, 816 F.Supp. 12, 18 (D.D.C. 1993).

142 Ironically, contrary to the assumptions: For the same reason, appellate judges may have an advantage over trial observers. That is counterintuitive: we generally assume that appellate judges are in a worse position to judge veracity than the fact finders in the trial court because they generally have access only to a trial transcript and, thus, must focus on *what* was said rather than *how* it was said. Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 178. Looking across dozens of studies, however, researchers found that participants who judged deceit purely based on body language performed significantly worse than those who were given only audio or only a written transcript. Bond, Jr., and DePaulo, “Accuracy of Deception Judgments,” 225.

142 Furthermore, during an actual trial: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 179.

142 Meanwhile, some dishonest witnesses: Pär Anders Granhag and Leif A. Strömwall, “Repeated Interrogations: Verbal and Non-verbal Cues to Deception,” *Applied Cognitive Psychology* 16 (February 2002): 254; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 179–80.

142 Finally, it is hard to see: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 179.

142 How is she supposed to: Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 179. In addition, although it might seem likely that jurors could overcome these challenges by consulting with one another during deliberations, the benefits of group assessments only seem to come in making individuals feel more confident in their observations, with only insignificant improvements in judging

veracity. Mark G. Frank et al., “Individual and Small Group Accuracy in Judging Truthful and Deceptive Communication,” *Group Decision and Negotiations* 13, no.1 (January 2004): 53–54; Simon, “Limited Diagnosticity,” 180.

143 Besides, everyone knows that: The fact that experts tend to be compensated for preparing and providing their testimony by a particular side is one of the reasons that jurors feel confident in relying on their own intuitions instead: the lack of a monetary incentive, one way or the other, seems to ensure objectivity. Studies show that when experts are unaware of which side of a case has hired them, people view them as more credible and their testimony is more persuasive. Christopher T. Robertson and David V. Yokum, “The Effect of Blinded Experts on Juror Verdicts,” *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 9, no. 4 (2012): 777–78.

Empirical research also suggests that our skepticism about experts is not unfounded. For instance, when scientists had 108 experienced forensic mental health experts evaluate violent sex offenders, they rated the individuals as at a significantly greater risk of reoffending when they believed that they were being paid as an expert for the prosecution than when they believed they were being paid as an expert for the defense. Daniel C. Murrie et al., “Are Forensic Experts Biased by the Side That Retained Them?” *Psychological Science* 24, no. 10 (2013): 1889, 1893–96; Association for Psychological Science, “Forensic Experts May Be Biased by the Side That Retains Them,” *ScienceDaily*, August 28, 2013, http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/08/130828092302.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+sciencedaily%2Fscience_society%2Fjustice+%28ScienceDaily%3A+Science+%26+Society+News+---Justice%29.

143 The fact that we expect lying: As Charles Dickens recorded more than 150 years ago, “Nature never writes a bad hand. Her writing, as it may be read in the human countenance, is

invariably legible, if we come at all trained to the reading of it.” Charles Dickens, *The Works of Charles Dickens*, vol. 36, *The Demeanour of Murderers* (New York: Charles Scribner’s Sons, 1908), 111. Just as we continue to expect that we can spot guilt or evil in a person’s face—despite the demise of physiognomy—we also maintain a belief that, in the words of the Blue Fairy in *Pinocchio*, “Lies can be easily recognized.” Don Grubin and Lars Madsen, “Lie Detection and the Polygraph: A Historical Review,” *Journal of Forensic Psychiatry and Psychology* 16, no. 2 (June 2005): 357. Yes, in real life, noses don’t grow when people fib, but perhaps they twitch, turn cold, or flare at the nostrils.

143 Daniel Defoe, the author: C. D. Merriman, “Biography of Daniel Defoe,” *The Literature Network*, accessed May 15, 2014, <http://www.online-literature.com/defoe/>; Daniel Defoe, *An Effectual Scheme for the Immediate Preventing of Street Robberies, and Suppressing All Other Disorders of the Night* (London: J. Wilford, 1731), 34; Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 359.

144 Some two hundred years later: Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 359–60.

144 Like Defoe, Marston pursued: Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 359.

144 Yet there was nothing fictive: Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 360.

144 The court ultimately refused: *Frye v. United States*, 293 F. 1013, 1014 (D.C. Cir. 1923); Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 360.

144 But his efforts laid critical groundwork: Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 360.

144 And it was Frye’s case: Frederick Schauer, “Can Bad Science Be Good Evidence? Neuroscience, Lie Detection, and Beyond,” *Cornell Law Review* 95 (2010): 1196–97; Brian L. Cutler and Margaret Bull Kovera, “Expert Psychological Testimony,” *Current Directions in Psychological Science* 20, no. 1 (2011): 54, doi: 10.1177/0963721410388802. The refinement of

the *Frye* test was prompted by Congressional adoption of Federal Rule of Evidence 702, which provided that a “qualified” expert witness could testify if her specialized knowledge would “assist the trier of fact.” FED. R. EVID. 702. In the case of *Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals*, the Supreme Court interpreted the rule to require judges to make their own determination of whether the expert testimony was relevant and scientifically reliable, rather than focusing solely on whether the implicated scientific community had accepted the research, as with the *Frye* test. *Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals*, 509 U.S. 579, 589–94; FED. R. EVID. 702; Cutler and Kovera, “Expert Psychological Testimony,” 54. That said, although the federal rules of evidence are widely influential, each state has adopted its own rules for deciding which expert testimony is admissible. Cutler and Kovera, “Expert Psychological Testimony,” 54. It is important to note that both of these tests are only focused on determining whether scientific testimony is relevant to the issues in the case. To be admissible in court, the testimony must also not be unduly prejudicial, in the sense of having a disproportionate effect on the jury. Jones et al., “Neuroscientists in Court,” 733.

144 Despite widespread use: Henry T. Greely and Judy Illes, “Neuroscience-Based Lie Detection: The Urgent Need for Regulation,” *American Journal of Law and Medicine* 33 (2007): 385–86; Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 364–67; Brian Farrell, “Can’t Get You Out of My Head: The Human Rights Implications of Using Brain Scans as Criminal Evidence,” *Interdisciplinary Journal of Human Rights Law* 4 (2010): 90.

144 As the Supreme Court put: *United States v. Scheffer*, 523 U.S. 303, 309 (1998) (quoted in Farrell, “Can’t Get You Out,” 90).

144 Part of the problem is that: Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 366–67.

144 People regularly lie without sweating: Grubin and Madsen, “Lie Detection,” 367.

144 More recent developments: Richard Wiseman et al., “The Eyes Don’t Have It: Lie Detection and Neuro-Linguistic Programming,” *PLOS ONE* 7, no. 7 (2012): 5, doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0040259.

145 It’s appealing to think: Wiseman et al., “Eyes Don’t Have It,” 5. I do not mean to suggest that eye-related assessments are necessarily a dead end when it comes to lie detection, only that much of what is currently parading as settled science is untested hearsay. Two more promising avenues may be new research on periorbital thermography, which is focused on temperature changes in the area near the eyes brought about by increased blood flow from rapid eye movements associated with lying, and microfacial expression analysis championed by the psychologist Paul Ekman. Mark Hansen, “True Lies,” *ABA Journal*, October 1, 2009, http://www.abajournal.com/magazine/article/true_lies/; Greely and Illes, “Neuroscience-Based Lie Detection,” 389–90. At this time, though, neither has provided sufficient evidence of accuracy to be considered a reliable tool for assessing deception. Greely and Illes, “Neuroscience-Based Lie Detection,” 389–90. The lack of empirical support has done little to slow the growth in YouTube videos, training courses, and thousands of webpages all promising to reveal the science of eye movements. Wiseman et al., “Eyes Don’t Have It,” 1.

145 More generally, methods and technologies: The Transportation Security Administration, for example, spent about \$900 million to train “behavior detection officers” in assessing people’s expressions and demeanor to help catch terrorists. “TSA Should Limit Future Funding,” 1–2; John Tierney, “At Airports, a Misplaced Faith in Body Language,” *New York Times*, March 23, 2014, <http://mobile.nytimes.com/2014/03/25/science/in-airport-screening-body-language-is-faulted-as-behavior-sleuth.html?from=homepage>. But when the Government Accountability

Office reviewed it, they found that there was no proof of its effectiveness and suggested eliminating funding. “TSA Should Limit Future Funding,” 47–48.

145 Until very recently this approach: Joëlle Anne Moreno, “The Future of Neuroimaged Lie Detection and the Law,” *Akron Law Review* 42 (2009): 719.

145 We now have the potential: In essence, fMRI holds the potential to move beyond capturing a person’s *responses* to lying to capturing the underlying lie based on the idea that different areas of the brain are activated when a person lies versus when a person tells the truth. Greely and Illes, “Neuroscience-Based Lie Detection,” 395–400.

Another fMRI approach to identifying deceit may yield even greater benefits over the traditional polygraph: detecting the presence of memories that a person has explicitly denied (e.g., you said that you were never at the crime scene, but when you were shown a photograph of the bathroom where the murder took place, your brain reacted in a certain way). Thomas Nadelhoffer and Walter Sinnott-Armstrong, “Neurolaw and Neuroprediction: Potential Promises and Perils,” *Philosophy Compass* 7, no. 9 (September 2012): 632, doi: 10.1111/j.1747-9991.2012.00494.x. With a polygraph, we need the person to participate actively by answering questions in order to gain any information. If the person refuses to respond, the polygraph cannot function. That’s not true with fMRI: we are looking at brain activity, which may be prompted simply by showing someone a photograph of a gun used in the crime or reading a letter from the victim. Jay Stanley, “High-Tech ‘Mind Readers’ Are Latest Effort to Detect Lies,” *Free Future* (blog), American Civil Liberties Union, August 29, 2012, <https://www.aclu.org/blog/technology-and-liberty/high-tech-mind-readers-are-latest-effort-detect-lies>.

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- 146 He’d come home and found:** Laris, “Debate on Brain Scans.”
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(2005): 139, 150–54; Nadelhoffer and Sinnott-Armstrong, “Neurolaw and Neuroprediction,” 637–38; Schauer, “Can Bad Science Be Good,” 1210; Sara Reardon, “Courtroom Neuroscience Not Ready for Prime Time,” *ScienceInsider* (blog), *American Association for the Advancement of Science*, December 12, 2011, <http://news.sciencemag.org/scienceinsider/2011/12/courtroom-neuroscience-not-ready.html?rss=1>. Research has shown, for example, that describing MRI images as indicating brain lesions increased the likelihood of finding a defendant not guilty by reason of insanity. Jessica R. Gurley and David K. Marcus, “The Effects of Neuroimaging and Brain Injury on Insanity Defenses,” *Behavioral Sciences and the Law* 26 (2008): 85, 93–95. That said, a complete picture of how and when neuroscientific evidence can be prejudicial is still emerging and a few of the early studies have drawn criticism for, among other things, design flaws that prevented a fair comparison of neuroscientific evidence with other equivalent evidence. Schauer, “Can Bad Science Be Good,” 1210, 1210 n. 103, 1211 n. 104, 1211 n. 108.

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As suggested in the introduction, we must also remember that our current approaches to determining people’s inner motives and impressions may rest on completely untested assumptions, so in some cases techniques based on encouraging but limited findings or imperfect science may actually be an improvement over the status quo.

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Science: Are Judges Effective Gatekeepers?” *Journal of Applied Psychology* 85, no. 4 (2000): 574, 579–83; Vidmar, “Psychology of Trial Judging,” 60.

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lie detection technology to address unreliability and maximize the benefits of the new scientific approaches. Greely and Illes, “Neuroscience-Based Lie Detection,” 405–20.

155 For centuries, we’ve espoused: Stanley, “High-Tech ‘Mind Readers.’”

155 Under traditional English law: *Boyd v. U.S.* 116 U.S. 616, 625–29 (1886); Stanley, “High-Tech ‘Mind Readers.’”

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156 There’s no reason that prosecutors and defendants: Certain scholars have made strong arguments in favor of having different standards of admission of scientific evidence for the prosecution and defense. Christopher Slobogin, *Proving the Unprovable: The Role of Law, Science, and Speculation in Adjudicating Culpability and Dangerousness* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2007), 131–44.

8. Umpires or Activists? ~ The Judge

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157 There were now two vacancies: Stevenson, “President Names Roberts.”

157 Standing in his way: United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Nomination of John G. Roberts, <http://www.judiciary.senate.gov/meetings/nomination-of-john-g-roberts>.

157 But the landscape had changed: Nina Totenberg, “Robert Bork’s Supreme Court Nomination ‘Changed Everything, Maybe Forever,’” NPR, March 19 2012, <http://www.npr.org/blogs/itsallpolitics/2012/12/19/167645600/robert-borks-supreme-court-nomination-changed-everything-maybe-forever>.

157 Like Roberts, Bork had: Totenberg, “Robert Bork’s Supreme Court Nomination.”

157 And despite the efforts: Totenberg, “Robert Bork’s Supreme Court Nomination.”

157 But a series of missteps: Totenberg, “Robert Bork’s Supreme Court Nomination.”

158 In the end, fifty-eight senators: Totenberg, “Robert Bork’s Supreme Court Nomination.”

158 Where Bork had appeared humorless: Totenberg, “Robert Bork’s Supreme Court Nomination”; Kenneth Jost, “Roberts’ Confirmation Hearings Conclude,” NPR, September 15, 2005, <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=4850135>.

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158 Arguably the savviest move: *Confirmation Hearing on the Nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr. to be Chief Justice of the United States, Before the Comm. on the Judiciary*, 109th Cong. (2005).

158 Roberts certainly wasn't the first: In an *American Bar Association Journal* survey conducted shortly before the hearings, more than 50 percent of Americans voiced serious concern about “judicial activism.” American Bar Association, “Most Americans See ‘Judicial Activism’ Crisis,” *WND*, September 20, 2005, <http://www.wnd.com/2005/09/32620/>; Robert Schwartz, “Like They See ‘Em,” *New York Times*, October 6, 2005, <http://www.nytimes.com/2009/07/12/weekinreview/12weber.html?pagewanted=all>. And during the proceedings, then-Senator Sam Brownback (R.-Kan.) rued the fact that “we’ve gotten to a point today where in many respects the judiciary is the most active policy player on the field.” *Confirmation Hearing on the Nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr. to be Chief Justice of the United States, Before the Comm. on the Judiciary*, 109th Cong. (2005). Senator Jeff Sessions (R.-Ala.) offered a similar sentiment, speaking of the desperate need for “a fair and unbiased umpire, one who calls the game according to the rules and does so competently and honestly every day.” *Confirmation Hearing on the Nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr. to be Chief Justice of the United States, Before the Comm. on the Judiciary*, 109th Cong. (2005). The *New York Daily News* lauded the analogy, explaining that it showed that Roberts’s “work will deal with legal opinions, not his personal opinions.” “The Next Chief Justice,” *New York Daily News*, September 16, 2005. Here, in Roberts’s model, was a counter to the unelected “activist,” legislating from the bench. Schwartz, “Like They See ‘Em.”

158 Good judges call: *Confirmation Hearing on the Nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr. to be Chief Justice of the United States, Before the Comm. on the Judiciary*, 109th Cong. (2005).

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158 Bad judges, by contrast: Schwartz, "Like They See 'Em."

158 They are unelected activists: Schwartz, "Like They See 'Em."

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158 More important, he engendered a world: *Confirmation Hearing on the Nomination of Samuel A. Alito, Jr. to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, Before the Comm. on the Judiciary*, 109th Cong. 14 (2006); *Confirmation Hearing on the Nomination of Hon. Sonia Sotomayor, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, Before the Comm. on the Judiciary*, 109th Cong. 57–59 (2009); *Confirmation Hearing on the Nomination of Elena Kagan to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, Before the Comm. on the Judiciary*, 111th Cong. (2010).

158 Justice Sotomayor's path through: Sonia Sotomayor, "A Latina Judge's Voice," *Berkeley La Raza Law Journal* 13 (2002): 87–92.

159 In Sotomayor's estimation: Sotomayor, "A Latina Judge's Voice," 92. This perspective aligned with President Barack Obama's statement, during the search to replace retiring justice David Souter on the bench, that "empathy" was a key trait that he looked for in a Supreme Court nominee. "Failure of Empathy and Justice," *New York Times*, March 31, 2011, <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/04/01/opinion/01fri2.html>. And it is no surprise that the president also came under fire, as a result: the empathetic justice is, in many ways, the opposite of the cold, steel-eyed umpire justice.

159 As the Republican senator: Bruce Weber, “Umpires v. Judges,” *New York Times*, July 11, 2009, <http://www.nytimes.com/2009/07/12/weekinreview/12weber.html?pagewanted=all&r=0>.

159 While a few Democratic senators criticized: Tony Mauro and David Ingram, “The Sotomayor Confirmation Hearings: Sotomayor Pledges ‘Fidelity to the Law,’” *National Law Journal*, July 13, 2009, http://www.law.com/jsp/article.jsp?id=1202432212396&The_Sotomayor_Confirmation_Hearings_Sotomayor_Pledges_Fidelity_to_the_Law&slreturn=20120912191112. At her hearing, Judge Sotomayor explained that “judges can’t rely on what’s in their heart” and that her “philosophy of judging [is] applying the law to the facts at hand.” Her responses eventually prompted Senator Lindsey Graham of South Carolina to remark, “I listen to you today; I think I’m listening to Judge Roberts.” Peter Baker and Neil A. Lewis, “Republicans Press Judge About Bias,” *New York Times*, July 14, 2009, <http://www.nytimes.com/2009/07/15/us/politics/15confirm.html>.

159 During his confirmation hearings: The conceptions of biased and unbiased judges embodied in the umpire analogy was never intended to be just a description of the world, but rather as a tool to change it. Adam Benforado, “Color Commentators of the Bench,” *Florida State University Law Review* 38 (2010–2011): 466; Aaron S.J. Zelinsky, “The Justice as Commissioner: Benching the Judge-Umpire Analogy,” *Yale Law Journal* 199 (2010): 117, <http://www.yalelawjournal.org/the-yale-law-journal-pocket-part/supreme-court/the-justice-as-commissioner:-benching-the-judge%25>.

159 There was a war over: Benforado, “Color Commentators of the Bench,” 466.

159 Establishing the umpire as an ideal: Benforado, “Color Commentators of the Bench,” 466.

159 There was no need: Benforado, “Color Commentators of the Bench,” 466.

159 And it would limit others: Benforado, “Color Commentators of the Bench,” 466.

160 Indeed, a majority of Americans: American Bar Association, “‘Judicial Activism’ Crisis”; Schwartz, “Like They See ‘Em””; Adam Liptak and Allison Kopicki, “Approval Ratings for Justices Hits Just 44% in New Poll,” *New York Times*, June 7, 2012, http://www.nytimes.com/2012/06/08/us/politics/44-percent-of-americans-approve-of-supreme-court-in-new-poll.html?_r=1&hp&pagewanted=print.

160 Likewise, while 45 percent of conservative: “Supreme Court’s Favorable Rating Still at Historical Low,” *Pew Research Center for the People and the Press*, March 25, 2013, <http://www.people-press.org/2013/03/25/supreme-courts-favorable-rating-still-at-historic-low/>.

160 A prime culprit appears to be: Robert P. Vallone, Lee Ross, and Mark R. Lepper, “The Hostile Media Phenomenon: Biased Perception and Perceptions of Media Bias in Coverage of the Beirut Massacre,” *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology* 49, no. 3 (1985): 577–85.

160 In one of the most famous demonstrations: Vallone, Ross, and Lepper, “The Hostile Media Phenomenon,” 580.

160 Given the impact of cultural cognition: Vallone, Ross, and Lepper, “The Hostile Media Phenomenon,” 581.

160 What is surprising is that: Vallone, Ross, and Lepper, “The Hostile Media Phenomenon,” 581. In sports, the same dynamic may give rise to the strange—but not unusual—situation where opposing fans at the end of a game agree on nothing, except that the refs were terrible.

161 In line with Roberts’s model: Take the general directive that a “judge should not allow family, social, political, financial, or other relationships to influence judicial conduct or judgment.” “Code of Conduct for United States Judges,” United States Courts, last revised March 20, 2014,

<http://www.uscourts.gov/RulesAndPolicies/CodesOfConduct/CodeConductUnitedStatesJudges.aspx>. This implies that a judge is fully aware of when, say, his identity as a Republican, Harvard-educated, white male or a member of the Catholic church influences his decision-making and can simply decide not to allow it to have any effect. Being impartial, in this view, is a choice.

161 That's why we have rules: “Code of Conduct for United States Judges”; “Judicial Conference Regulations—Gifts,” United States Courts, <http://www.uscourts.gov/RulesAndPolicies/CodesOfConduct/JudicialConferenceRegulationsGifts.aspx>. We assume that by focusing on “bribes” and close personal ties to litigants and controversies, our rules to guard against bias are on the right track, but may just not go far enough. According to the Code of Conduct for United States Judges, a judge should not hold office in a political organization or solicit funds for a candidate. “Code of Conduct for United States Judges.” Likewise, a judge should not receive gifts from those coming before the court. And a judge should not secretly meet with one side in a case and exclude the other. “Judicial Conference Regulations—Gifts.” These prohibitions all make intuitive sense. Seemingly, the only problem is that they don't apply to all judges—in particular, Supreme Court Justices and state and local judges—and leave too much discretion to individual judges.

The evidence that members of the judiciary regularly and consciously exploit the lacunas in our rules at the expense of impartiality is all too clear to many of us. On the right side of the bench, the wife of Justice Clarence Thomas founded a conservative legal organization dedicated to opposing President Obama's policy agenda and Thomas attended a private political retreat set up by Charles Koch, the billionaire conservative who has made no secret of his goal to undermine the Obama administration, yet Thomas has failed to recuse himself in key cases in which the president's policies have been challenged. Eric Lichtblau, “Thomas Cites Failure to

Disclose Wife’s Job,” *New York Times*, January 24, 2011, <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/01/25/us/politics/25thomas.html>. Similarly, Justice Scalia robed up for a challenge to Vice President Dick Cheney’s energy task force despite going on a duck-hunting trip with the vice president less than a month after the Court elected to hear the case. Eric Lichtblau, “Advocacy Group Says Justices May Have Conflict in Campaign Finance Cases,” *New York Times*, January 19, 2011, http://www.nytimes.com/2011/01/20/us/politics/20koch.html?_r=1&emc=eta1. On the left side of the bench, Justice Ginsburg cofounded the Women’s Rights Project at the ACLU, but ruled on many cases related to woman’s rights. Sandra Pullman, “Ginsburg and WRP Staff,” American Civil Liberties Union, March 7, 2006, <http://www.aclu.org/womens-rights/tribute-legacy-ruth-bader-ginsburg-and-wrp-staff>. And Justice Kagan was “a cheerleader for ObamaCare” as solicitor general, in the words of S.A. Miller at the *New York Post*, but didn’t step “aside from the legal challenge to it” once she became a justice. S.A. Miller, “Kagan O’Care Bias Feared,” *New York Post*, November 16, 2011, http://www.nypost.com/p/news/national/kagan_care_bias_feared_rCgJr9pt6EoKnTRwHAXTeO.

161 As we will see, all judges: In essence, we are guarding our benches with a faulty alarm system. The sirens—whether part of our formal judicial code or sounded in public opinion—certainly discourage certain problematic behavior. But the system is plagued by false alarms and is frequently triggered by disagreements over substance, not by actual bias. When he penned the majority opinion upholding Obamacare, Chief Justice Roberts went from objective umpire to backboneless politician in the eyes of many, not because he suddenly decided to stop being fair and balanced, but because his substantive decision in a particular case was objectionable to a

certain subgroup of citizens. Albert R. Hunt, “Washington Flip Flops on Justice Roberts,” *New York Times*, July 1, 2012, <http://rendezvous.blogs.nytimes.com/2012/07/01/washington-flip-flops-on-justice-roberts/>; “Congressional Baseball Game 2012: Political Wounds Still Fresh,” CBS News, June 29, 2012, http://www.cbsnews.com/8334-503544_162-57463434-503544/congressional-baseball-game-2012-political-wounds-still-fresh/. Once again, perceiving bias provides a potent means to minimize ideas and views that conflict with our own. And the bias bell stands ready to ring for the rarest and most blatant incidents of partiality, while remaining utterly silent as every judge, every day, in every case is pushed and pulled by hidden tides.

161 While judges are meant to check: John Irwin and Daniel Real, “Unconscious Influences on Judicial Decision-Making: The Illusion of Objectivity,” *McGeorge Law Review* 43 (2010): 1–2.

161 Under oath, Roberts claimed: Kenneth Jost, “Roberts Says He Has ‘No Agenda’ on Bench,” NPR, September 12, 2005, <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=4843769>.

161 Although it is hard to find: Cass R. Sunstein and Thomas Miles, “Depoliticizing Administrative Law,” *Duke Law Journal* 58 (2008): 2193–2230; Cass R. Sunstein, “Judicial Partisanship Awards,” *Washington Independent*, July 31, 2008, <http://washingtonindependent.com/350/judicial-partisanship-awards>.

161 Democratic appointees disproportionately: Sunstein, “Judicial Partisanship Awards.” In the rare instances where the method of classifying decisions as “liberal” and “conservative” did not withstand scrutiny (for instance, where the public interest group bringing the challenge was a conservative group), the researchers adjusted the coding. Sunstein and Miles, “Depoliticizing

Administrative Law,” 2200. Justice Thomas was the most partisan member of the Supreme Court and was 46 percent more likely to support invalidating a liberal agency decision than a conservative agency decision. Sunstein and Miles, “Depoliticizing Administrative Law,” 2205–06.

162 What’s more, although the charge is: Sunstein, “Judicial Partisanship Awards.” Ironically, Justice Scalia was the most “activist” Supreme Court justice. Sunstein and Miles, “Depoliticizing Administrative Law,” 2206–07.

162 Other studies have revealed a similar: Neil Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” *Current Directions in Psychological Science* 20, no. 1 (2011): 60, doi: 10.1177/0963721410397283; C.K. Rowland and Bridget Jeffery Todd, “Where You Stand Depends on Who Sits: Platform Promises and Judicial Gatekeeping in the Federal District Courts,” *Journal of Politics* 53, no. 1 (1995): 175–85. The judicial elections that are mandated in certain states—and justified largely on the grounds of ensuring that judges maintain fairness and objectivity—may, quite ironically, exacerbate these tendencies. A survey of about 6,000 criminal cases decided in state supreme courts across the country indicated that justices who are appointed show less rigid adherence to their preconceived notions about a case and a better ability to evaluate the facts in a manner that results in a correct decision under the law. Matias Iaryczower, Garrett Lewis, and Matthew Shum, “To Elect or to Appoint? Bias, Information, and Responsiveness of Bureaucrats and Politicians,” *Journal of Public Economics* 97 (2013): 230–44, doi: 10.1016/j.jpubeco.2012.08.007; “Researchers Find Appointed Justices Outperform Elected Counterparts,” February 22, 2013, *ScienceDaily*, www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/02/130222121049.htm.

And the closer it is to an election, the more it seems to matter whether you are appearing before an elected or an appointed judge. Carlos Berdejo and Noam M. Yuchtman, “Crime, Punishment and Politics: An Analysis of Political Cycles in Criminal Sentencing,” *Review of Economics and Statistics* 95, no. 3 (2013): 741–56. In a study of Superior Court judges in Washington, while appointees exhibited general consistency, elected judges used their discretion to deviate upwards from sentencing guidelines 50 percent more often and handed down criminal sentences for serious offenses that were about 10 percent longer at the end of an election cycle, as compared with the beginning. Berdejo and Yuchtman, “Crime, Punishment and Politics,” 741. Even elected judges who were running unopposed were significantly affected by the political climate in the last three months before an election. Berdejo and Yuchtman, “Crime, Punishment and Politics.”

Nonpartisan elections do not appear to be a salve: when it comes to contentious issues, like the death penalty, state supreme court justices show a bias towards majority public opinion when there are targeted campaigns waged to influence judicial positions. Brandice Canes-Wrone, Tom S. Clark, and Jason P. Kelly, “Judicial Selection and Death Penalty Decisions,” *American Political Science Review* 108, no. 1 (2014): 23–39. A judge may believe that he is being consistent and delivering sentences based purely on the facts before him, when he is really being subtly drawn away from uniformity and objectivity by his own attitudes and worldviews, amplified by salient and personally meaningful external events.

162 Of course, it is not just political: Christina L. Boyd, Lee Epstein, and Andrew D. Martin, “Untangling the Causal Effects of Sex on Judging,” *American Journal of Political Science* 54 (2010): 389–411; Jonathan P. Kastellec, “Racial Diversity and Judicial Influence on Appellate Courts,” *American Journal of Political Science* 57 (2013): 167–83; Linda Greenhouse,

“Evolving Opinions; Heartfelt Words from the Rehnquist Court,” *New York Times*, July 6, 2013, <http://www.nytimes.com/2003/07/06/weekinreview/ideas-trends-evolving-opinions-heartfelt-words-from-the-rehnquist-court.html>.

162 Although she was forced to: Sotomayor, “A Latina Judge’s Voice,” 92.

162 Justice Scalia, in particular: Dorothy J. Samuels, “Scalia’s Gay Marriage Problem,” *New York Times*, March 15, 2013, <http://takingnote.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/03/25/scalias-gay-marriage-problem/?hp>.

162 But the fact is that no judge: Obviously, one response to all of this is to constrain how personal differences between judges influence outcomes. You should not get a sentence that is twice as long because you happen to come before Judge X instead of Judge Y. That is not justice; that is luck. In this regard, a promising solution, taken up in the final chapter of this book, may be to reduce judicial discretion. That was the original impetus for the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, although they have been less than successful, in part because they are only advisory. *United States v. Booker*, 543 U.S. 220 (2005); Adam Liptak, “Harsher Sentencing Guidelines Can’t Be Used for Old Offenses, Justices Say,” *New York Times*, June 10, 2013, <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/06/11/us/politics/supreme-court-divides-over-sentencing-guidelines.html>.

162 Researchers recently found that: Adam N. Glynn and Maya Sen, “Identifying Judicial Empathy: Does Having Daughters Cause Judges to Rule for Women’s Issues,” *American Journal of Political Science* (2014): 14, doi: 10.1111/ajps.12118. It is important to note that the study did not find the daughter effect with respect to criminal cases. Glynn and Sen, “Identifying Judicial Empathy,” 11. However, the researchers’ focus on rape cases very likely distorted the data. Other work shows that gender-based commitments may take a backseat to more dominant

cultural predispositions (in particular, the degree to which someone is supportive of existing hierarchies in society) when it comes to views on rape cases. Kahan, “Culture, Cognition, and Consent.” More research is needed to sort out whether having daughters has an influence on how judges decide criminal cases with a gender angle.

162 The effect appears to be: Glynn and Sen, “Identifying Judicial Empathy,” 14.

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163 White men, for instance: Torres-Spelliscy et al., “Improving Judicial Diversity.” Indeed, even today, a number of state supreme courts are all white. Torres-Spelliscy et al., “Improving Judicial Diversity.” The fact that this is, nonetheless, the most varied judiciary we have ever enjoyed has deep implications and brings an added urgency to the diversification project. On this front, we might consider adopting proven diversity-enhancement measures from business and academia—like nominating commissions focused specifically on identifying minority judicial candidates—so that when you appear before a particular supreme court, at the state or federal level, you are at least getting a cross-section of viewpoints and commitments. Ciara Torres-Spelliscy et al., “Improving Judicial Diversity,” Brennan Center for Justice, 2010, <http://www.brennancenter.org/publication/improving-judicial-diversity>. Each justice may be biased, but if they are biased in different ways, that may encourage a more neutral outcome or, at least, make the influence of personal characteristics on judicial decision-making more obvious, which might, in turn, prompt other reforms aimed at providing more impartial justice.

163 What qualifies as rape: Marital rape was not rape in many states for decades. “Feminist Philosophy of Law,” Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, May 19, 2009, <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/feminism-law/>.

163 Yet the answers we have: Susan Navarro Smelcer, *Supreme Court Justices: Demographic Characteristics, Professional Experience, and Legal Education, 1789–2010*, CRS Report R40802 (Washington, DC: Library of Congress, Congressional Research Service, April 9, 2010) 6–11, 30–31, <http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R40802.pdf>.

163 The Supreme Court was pumping out: Smelcer, *Supreme Court Justices*, 6–8.

163 So, even if you happen to: Torres-Spelliscy et al., “Improving Judicial Diversity.” Were it not for their bias-enhancing effects, judicial elections might seem like a ready solution, but states in which citizens vote for judges do not yield more diverse judiciaries, likely, in part, because of redistricting efforts that reduce the influence of minority voters. Torres-Spelliscy et al., “Improving Judicial Diversity.”

163 As we’ve seen, our decisions: Chris Guthrie, Jeffrey J. Rachlinski, and Andrew J. Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench: How Judges Decide Cases,” *Cornell Law Review* 93 (2007): 5.

163 You might suppose that a judge: Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 5.

164 Like the rest of us: Chris Guthrie, Jeffrey J. Rachlinski, and Andrew J. Wistrich, “Inside the Judicial Mind,” *Cornell Law Review* 86 (2001): 780.

164 Unfortunately, these intuitive processes: Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Inside the Judicial Mind,” 780; Brite Englich, Thomas Mussweiler, and Fritz Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences: The Influence of Irrelevant Anchors on Experts’ Judicial Decision Making,” *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin* 32 (2006): 197.

164 Consider the so-called anchoring effect: Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 19; Amos Tversky and Daniel Kahneman, “Judgment Under Uncertainty: Heuristics and Biases,” *Science* 185 (1974): 1124–31.

164 By the mid-1970s: Tversky and Kahneman, “Judgment Under Uncertainty,” 1128; Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 20; Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 188–89.

164 Yet when researchers took up: Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 20; Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 189.

164 Asked to sentence a hypothetical defendant: Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 190–91.

164 Shockingly, even rolling a set of dice: Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 194.

165 One of the things that was: Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 197.

165 And while other research suggests: Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Inside the Judicial Mind,” 778; Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 193–94. In fact, highly experienced judges may mistakenly believe that they are less influenced by biasing factors. Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 194.

165 The source of the problem is no secret: Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 189.

165 It doesn’t help that the evidence: Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 189.

165 Judges are required, for example: Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 59.

165 While that fact may make: Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 59.

165 However, in two separate sets: Andrew J. Wistrich, Chris Guthrie, and Jeffrey J. Rachlinski, “Can Judges Ignore Inadmissible Information? The Difficulty of Deliberately Disregarding,” *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* 153 (2005): 1251–1345; Stephan Landsman and Richard F. Rakos, “A Preliminary Inquiry into the Effect of Potentially Biasing Information on Judges and Jurors in Civil Litigation,” *Behavioral Sciences and the Law* 12 (1994): 113–26; Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 59.

165 A similar dynamic is at work: Englich, Mussweiler, and Strack, “Playing Dice With Criminal Sentences,” 188; Jeffrey J. Rachlinski et al., “Does Unconscious Racial Bias Affect Trial Judges?” *Notre Dame Law Review* 84 (2009): 1195, 1221; Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 59.

166 The investigators turned their attention: The judges averaged 22.5 years of experience. Shai Danziger, Jonathan Levav, and Liora Avnaim-Pesso, “Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions,” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 108, no. 17 (2010): <http://www.pnas.org/content/108/17/6889>.

166 Overall, these judges rejected: Danziger, Levav, and Avnaim-Pesso, “Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions,” 6889.

166 An analysis of more than: Danziger, Levav, and Avnaim-Pesso, “Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions,” 6889.

166 Moreover, factors like the severity: Danziger, Levav, and Avnaim-Pesso, “Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions,” 6890.

166 The study’s authors hypothesize: Danziger, Levav, and Avnaim-Pesso, “Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions,” 6889. The status quo enjoys an unfair advantage across many

situations, especially when we face a difficult or complex decision. When we have doubt, we are inclined to stay the course, which can lead to erroneous decision-making and poor choices, whether that means sticking with your employer's default retirement package or failing to overturn the death sentence of a defendant. Stephen Fleming, Charlotte Thomas, and Raymond Dolan, "Overcoming Status Quo Bias in the Human Brain," *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (2009): 6005, 6007, <http://www.pnas.org/content/107/13/6005>.

166 Repeatedly making decisions taxes our: Danziger, Levav, and Avnaim-Pesso, "Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions," 6889. Although the researchers didn't look specifically at whether it was the influence of eating or simply taking a break that explained the pattern, it seems that the judges' two daily food breaks had a restorative effect on their abilities to deviate from the norm. Danziger, Levav, and Avnaim-Pesso, "Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions," 6889–92.

167 The two parole boards involved: Danziger, Levav, and Avnaim-Pesso, "Extraneous Factors in Judicial Decisions," 6889. After concerns were raised that the pattern of results might be the result of prisoners without representation being seen at the end of sessions, the authors of the study reanalyzed their data and replicated their original results, with case order and the timing of the break continuing to be robust predictors of the judges' decisions. Keren Weinshall-Margel and John Shapard, "Overlooked Factors in the Analysis of Parole Decisions," *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 108, no. 2 (2011), <http://www.pnas.org/content/108/42/E833>. The results also held up when the authors reran their analysis separating out rejections of parole from deferrals (both of which result in the prisoner staying locked up), which they had originally treated together. Shai Danziger, Jonathan Levav, and Liora Avnaim-Pesso, "Reply to Weinshall-Margel and Shapard: Extraneous Factors in

Judicial Decisions Persist,” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 108, no. 42, <http://www.pnas.org/content/108/42/E834>.

167 That’s one of the reasons mental depletion: John Tierney, “Do You Suffer from Decision Fatigue?” *New York Times*, August 17, 2011, http://www.nytimes.com/2011/08/21/magazine/do-you-suffer-from-decision-fatigue.html?pagewanted=print&_r=0.

167 And one of the most disheartening: Uri Simonsohn and Francesca Gino, “Daily Horizons: Evidence of Narrow Bracketing in Judgment From 10 Years of M.B.A. Admissions Interviews,” *Psychological Science* 24 (2013): 219-241.

167 In my Criminal Law course: “Drexel University School of Law Student Handbook: Academic Year 2013–2014,” <http://drexel.edu/law/studentLife/studentAffairs/Student%20Handbook/>.

167 Researchers have dubbed this: Simonsohn and Gino, “Daily Horizons,” 219.

167 According to this research: Simonsohn and Gino, “Daily Horizons,” 223.

168 As the legal theorist and appellate: Jerome Frank, *Law and the Modern Mind* (New York: Brentano’s, 1930), 104. At the same time, we must remember the complexity of the task at hand. It is not that judges are slaves to their backgrounds and at the total mercy of unappreciated elements in their situations. Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 29. Judges do engage in careful deliberation and, in certain circumstances, do appear able to counteract certain erroneous intuitions. Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 29. For instance, there is some evidence that judges are capable of overcoming hindsight bias when they are encouraged to engage in a deliberative process. Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 28. In one research study, judges asked to determine the constitutionality of a particular car search *after* being informed that the police had found

damning criminal evidence in the trunk (the hindsight condition), were no more likely to find probable cause than judges who were presented with a comparable request for a telephonic warrant to search the same car not knowing what would be found inside (the foresight condition). Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 27. The authors of the study hypothesized that, in this special context, the Byzantine rule structures of the Fourth Amendment might have forced judges to deviate from their gut intuitions. Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 27.

More research is needed into how various psychological dynamics play out across situations and how they interact when more than one is implicated in a real life case. The circumstances in which bias can creep in are numerous and diverse because of the nature of judicial decision-making: it is not just about ultimate outcomes and punishments. Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 58. Judicial bias can appear at any stage in a criminal case, from admitting evidence and signing off on plea bargains, to ruling on objections during cross-examination and approving jury instructions, to allocating time for oral argument during appeal and granting habeas motions seeking the release of a prisoner. Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 58.

168 While some social scientists have: As with judges, we’ve always assumed that the danger with referees is conscious bias: people altering their judgments in exchange for a bribe, out of spite, or after being threatened. The poster boy for the biased ref is Tim Donaghy, who bet on NBA games that he worked, as well as passing on critical information about referees and players to professional gamblers. Howard Beck and Michael S. Schmidt, “N.B.A. Referee Pleads Guilty to Gambling Charges,” *New York Times*, August 16, 2007, <http://www.nytimes.com/2007/08/16/sports/basketball/16nba.html?ref=timdonaghy>. And leagues

have always been eager to portray bias by officials as rare and deliberate. Just as there are good, objective judges and bad, partisan judges, there are also good, objective referees who choose to adhere to the rules and bad, biased refs who choose to ruin the game for their own personal gain. According to this narrative, a handful of Donaghys in the system present the only threat: as former NBA Commissioner David Stern put it, “rogue, isolated criminal[s].” “Stern: Bet Probe ‘Worst Situation That I Have Ever Experienced,’” ESPN.com, July 25, 2007, <http://sports.espn.go.com/nba/news/story?id=2947237>. But this account does not hold up against the empirical evidence.

168 The findings are staggeringly similar: See, e.g., Norbert Hagemann, Bernd Strauss, and Jan Leibing, “When the Referee Sees Red,” *Psychological Science* 19 (2008): 769; Alexander Kranjec et al., “A Sinister Bias for Calling Fouls in Soccer,” *PLOS ONE* 5 (2010): 1.

168 Tennis officials, for instance: David Whitney et al., “Perceptual Mislocalization of Bouncing Balls by Professional Tennis Referees,” *Current Biology* 18 (2008): R947–49. More broadly, umpires, like judges, believe they are seeing the game exactly as it happens through unfiltered lenses and they are rarely in a position to understand that their particular perspective and situation may influence their judgments.

168 The spot where an umpire perceives: Whitney et al., “Perceptual Mislocation of Bouncing Balls.” A similar issue arises in soccer. Trained referees are taught to observe the game following a diagonal path across the field, and a referee using a left-diagonal system will observe players moving into the offensive side of the field from a right-to-left orientation, while his linesmen, traveling along the sidelines, will observe players moving left to right. Kranjec et al., “A Sinister Bias,” 1–3. Why might this matter? Scientists have discovered that experimental participants call more fouls when considering pictures of left-moving soccer tackles as when

looking at pictures of right-moving tackles. The likely reason has to do with familiarity: in the West, we read from left to right, and so things that occur right to left tend to be seen as atypical and disfluent. The end result is that, as with judges, a different perspective on the same events can lead to a different outcome.

168 White umpires give white batters: Joseph Price and Justin Wolfers, “Biased Referees?: Reconciling Results with the NBA’s Analysis,” *Contemporary Economic Policy* 30, no. 3 (2012): 328, doi: 10.1111/j.1465-7287.2011.00268.x; Niels van Quaquebeke and Steffen R. Giessner, “How Embodied Cognitions Affect Judgments: Height-Related Attribution Bias in Football Foul Calls,” *Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology* 32 (2010): 14–15; Hagemann, Strauss, and Leibing, “When the Referee Sees Red,” 769.

Given that referees frequently have to make calls without all of the necessary information or in situations where the evidence that they have isn’t conclusive, it is no surprise that they take cognitive short cuts just like judges. Robert L. Askins, “The Official Reacting to Pressure,” *Referee* 3 (1978): 17, 18. Clearly, the fact that someone is a superstar doesn’t tell you whether he just threw a ball or a strike; but when we don’t know whether the pitch was inside or outside the strike zone, we may turn to the player’s stardom to give us an answer: it was a strike. Tobias J. Moskowitz and L. Jon Wertheim, *Scorecasting: The Hidden Influences Behind How Sports Are Played and Games Are Won* (New York: Crown Archetype, 2011), 19–20. The result is that, on the mound, aces are given bigger strike zones than nonstars, and champion sluggers are less likely to get a third strike called on them than low-percentage hitters. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 19–20. The same is true in basketball, where stars are less likely to receive additional fouls when they have gotten into early trouble than nonstars. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 21.

Stranger and more troubling is the fact that white basketball referees appear to call relatively more fouls on black players than white players, and strike zones in baseball are partially defined by the race of the batter. Price and Wolfers, “Biased Referees?” 328. In one recent experiment, researchers found that although participants viewed black and white football players who “celebrated” after scoring as equally arrogant, black players were penalized for their actions at a greater rate. Erika Hall and Robert Livingston, “The Hubris Penalty,” *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology* 48 (2012): 899–904. According to the study’s authors, the likely explanation is that pride and arrogance are tolerated for those group members who possess high status (white players), but not for those with low status (black players). Black players face a “hubris penalty” that does not apply to their white counterparts. Much like with judges and police officers, racial cues seem to result in disparate treatment in sports, beyond the conscious awareness of the officials involved.

168 In addition, as with judges who expect: Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 22–24; Kyle J. Anderson and David A. Pierce, “Officiating Bias: The Effect of Foul Differential on Foul Calls in NCAA Basketball,” *Journal of Sports Sciences* 27 (2009): 692–93. Again, the irony is that the great effort a person puts into trying to be neutral and objective can itself create bias. In basketball, the erroneous assumption that the number of fouls called on each team should be approximately equal in a fairly refereed game subtly influences the actions of those who are strongly motivated to appear fair. The larger the difference in fouls between two opposing basketball teams, the more likely the next whistle will be blown against the team with fewer fouls. Anderson and Pierce, “Officiating Bias,” 692–93. Whether it’s three fouls on the same team or three parole grants in a row, deviation from a preconceived vision of the pattern of objectivity sets off internal alarm bells, even though unequal distributions are statistically

predicted. When an umpire or referee makes a clear mistake, the motivation to even things out becomes even stronger. So, investigators have found that when umpires erroneously call a strike a ball, they are more likely to call the next pitch a strike. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 22–23. Make-up calls are real, although, for many officials, they do not feel that way at all.

A related source of distortion involves the tendency to avoid blowing the whistle in critical situations. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 24–30. Refs don't want to risk being seen as introducing bias and so, across a range of sports—hockey, football, and basketball, included—they show a significant tendency to omit calling fouls where it is not absolutely clear in the final moments of a game. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 24–30. Instead, they go ahead and let the players “play” and “determine their own destinies.” But, of course, that is neither fair nor an accurate description of what is happening: erroneously not calling an offensive foul that wins the game for one team is distorting the righteous outcome just as much as erroneously calling an offensive foul that loses the game for the same team.

168 Finally, like judges, referees are not: Anderson and Pierce, “Officiating Bias,” 692–93; Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 138. We are a profoundly social species and none of us can just turn off the influence that other humans have on our decision-making. As with those who preside over our courts, sports officials will swear that they are not influenced by public perceptions, but the evidence suggests otherwise. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting* 156–65. In soccer, referees award fewer cards and more penalties to home teams and increase the amount of extra time at the end of a match when the home team is trailing and reduce it when they are ahead. Peter Dawson, et al., “Are Football Referees Really Biased and Inconsistent?: Evidence of the Incidence of Disciplinary Sanction in the English Premier League,” *Journal of*

the Royal Statistical Society: Series A 170 (2007): 249; Matthias Sutter and Martin G. Kocher, “Favoritism of Agents—The Case of Referees’ Home Bias,” *Journal of Economic Psychology* 25 (2004): 467–68; Luis Garicano, Ignacio Palacios-Huerta, and Canice Prendergast, “Favoritism Under Social Pressure,” *The Review of Economics and Statistics* 87 (2005): 209. Moreover, the bigger the crowd and the closer they are to the field, the larger the home-team bias. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 160. The same trends are evident in basketball, football, and baseball: at away games, basketball players have an increased probability of being called for fouls and traveling, football players face a heightened likelihood of being penalized, and baseball players are at a disadvantage in calls related to stealing bases and turning double plays. Moskowitz and Wertheim, *Scorecasting*, 160.

169 Most would vigorously deny that: Justice Scalia is a case in point of how judges almost never see themselves as acting in a biased fashion. He counts his statement refusing to recuse himself from a case involving Vice President Cheney, with whom he’d gone duck hunting, as “maybe the *only* heroic opinion [he] ever issued.” As he explained, “I did the right thing and it let me in for a lot of criticism and it was the right thing to do and I was proud of that. So that’s the only heroic thing I’ve done.” Jennifer Senior, “In Conversation: Antonin Scalia,” *New York*, October 6, 2013, <http://nymag.com/news/features/antonin-scalia-2013-10/>.

169 Indeed, most would feel quite confident: Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 43.

169 Legal training, experience, and the rules: Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 58.

170 Certainly, precedent and statutory laws can act: Vidmar, “The Psychology of Trial Judging,” 58.

170 Justice Antonin Scalia’s textual originalism: Richard A. Posner, “The Incoherence of Antonin Scalia,” *New Republic*, August 24, 2012, <http://www.tnr.com/article/magazine/books-and-arts/106441/scalia-garner-reading-the-law-textual-originalism?page=0,0>.

170 A judge’s decision, then, turns on: Antonin Scalia and Bryan A. Garner, interview by Stephen Adler, *Thompson Reuters Newsmaker*, September 17, 2012.

170 With seemingly no room for personal: Textual originalism, according to Justice Scalia and his coauthor, Bryan Garner, is the only “objective standard of interpretation even competing for acceptance.” Posner, “The Incoherence of Antonin Scalia.”

170 The Fourth Amendment begins: U.S. Const. amend. IV.

170 Is using a thermal-imaging device: *Kyllo v. United States*, 533 U.S. 27 (2001).

171 Is placing a GPS tracking device: *United States v. Jones*, 132 S. Ct. 945 (2012).

171 In situations like this, a judge is free: Posner, “The Incoherence of Antonin Scalia.”

171 This is particularly evident in: Allison Orr Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” *Virginia Law Review* 98 (2012): 1255–1312; Josh Rothman, “Supreme Court Justices: Addicted to Google,” *Boston Globe*, June 7, 2012, http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/ideas/brainiac/2012/06/supreme_court_j.html.

171 The common portrayal is that: Adam Liptak, “Seeking Facts, Justices Settle for What Briefs Tell Them,” *New York Times*, September 1, 2014, <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/09/02/us/politics/the-dubious-sources-of-some-supreme-court-facts.html>.

171 But members of the Court actually: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding”; Rothman, “Supreme Court Justices.”

171 Rather than simply relying on: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding”; Rothman, “Supreme Court Justices.”

171 Indeed, in surveying the 120 most: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1262.

171 If a case comes down to: *United States v. Sykes*, 131 S. Ct. 2267, 2270 (2011).

172 In *United States v. Sykes*, both: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1266. As Justice Kennedy wrote in the majority opinion, “Although statistics are not dispositive, here they confirm the commonsense conclusion that Indiana’s vehicular flight crime is a violent felony.” *Sykes*, 131 S. Ct. at 2274. So where did these important statistics come from? They did not appear in the briefs or in the record from the court below—rather, they were found by the justices and their clerks. Larson, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1266–67.

172 Isn’t this precisely what we want: The Supreme Court is faced with a caseload that gets more diverse and specialized each year. If a justice does not feel he or she possesses enough knowledge to make an important decision, shouldn’t he or she seek out additional information? The Federal Rules of Evidence take just such a solicitous view of this type of “in house” fact finding, placing no restrictions on the practice. Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1267–68.

172 In many cases, the “facts”: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1277–86. This is particularly noteworthy because citations and sources are uniquely important to the law. In the United States, the law’s authority relies, in part, on the perceived legitimacy of the individuals and institutions charged to uphold and enforce it, but also, to a great extent, on the reasoning that those individuals and institutions employ. The facts carry a great amount of power. They may be used to persuade readers or to make a shaky proposition seem more solid.

They may be employed to win over sympathetic colleagues or undermine the positions or reasoning of adversaries. Sometimes the particular fact that a judge “uncovers” is essential to the outcome of the case—indeed, it may resolve the key question at issue. Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1277–86.

172 Judges, just like the rest of us, tend: Ezra Klein, “Unpopular Mandate,” *The New Yorker*, June 25, 2012, http://www.newyorker.com/reporting/2012/06/25/120625fa_fact_klein#ixzz1yFluS1MZ. In conducting a “common sense” parsing of a statute or case, a judge may be steered quickly and surely to what he believes and expects to be true, as he ignores, rejects, and overlooks contradictory evidence. Posner, “The Incoherence of Antonin Scalia.”

172 When judges do research: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1300.

172 The underlying drive is to bolster: Christopher H. Achen and Larry M. Bartels, “It Feels Like We’re Thinking: The Rationalizing Voter and Electoral Democracy” (prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 30–September 3, 2006), <http://www.princeton.edu/~bartels/thinking.pdf>; Klein, “Unpopular Mandate.”

173 But, in fact, having more information: Achen and Bartels, “Rationalizing Voter and Electoral Democracy”; Klein, “Unpopular Mandate.”

173 When a pair of political scientists: Achen and Bartels, “Rationalizing Voter and Electoral Democracy,” 12; Klein, “Unpopular Mandate.”

173 A similar effect was found: Klein, “Unpopular Mandate.”

173 With more information on hand: Klein, “Unpopular Mandate.”

173 Our analytical skills can be distorted: Dan M. Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy and Enlightened Self-Government,” The Cultural Cognition Project Working Paper No. 116 (2013); Keith O’Brien, “Do the Math? Only if I agree with It!” *Boston Globe*, October 20, 2013, <http://www.bostonglobe.com/ideas/2013/10/20/math-only-agree-with/dNXiuubRILEUqtQ8IzUqEP/story.html>.

173 In one set of experiments, researchers looked: Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy,” 25–26.

173 On the skin-rash evaluation: Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy,” 21; O’Brien, “Do the Math?”

173 But when participants were asked to: Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy,” 21–24; O’Brien, “Do the Math?”

173 When the data pointed to a conclusion: Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy,” 25–26.

173 Given numbers suggesting that crime decreased: Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy,” 21–24; O’Brien, “Do the Math?”

173 The reverse was true for liberals: Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy,” 21–24; O’Brien, “Do the Math?”

173 Despite knowing how to use: Kahan et al., “Motivated Numeracy,” 24–28; O’Brien, “Do the Math?”

174 Indeed, when Justice Elena Kagan: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1275; *Sykes*, 131 S. Ct. at 2290 n. 3 (Kagan, J., dissenting).

174 Look at recent opinions and you’ll see: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1300. Sure, there is the *New England Journal of Medicine*, the *New York Times*, and the website of the FDA, but so also *Musicweek*, the *Arkansas Gazette*, *Sporting News*, and the

Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network. Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 1286–89.

174 They have spouses, children, and friends: Roxanne Roberts and Amy Argetsinger, “A Truly Exclusive Washington Party: Antonin Scalia Hosts Justices to Toast New Henry Friendly Bio,” *Washington Post*, May 1, 2012, http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/reliable-source/post/a-truly-exclusive-washington-party-antonin-scalia-hosts-justices-to-toast-new-henry-friendly-bio/2012/04/30/gIQAR2vYsT_blog.html.

174 Justice Scalia reads two newspapers: Senior, “In Conversation.”

174 As he told a journalist: Senior, “In Conversation.”

174 He was tipped over the edge: Senior, “In Conversation.”

174 He “usually” listens to talk radio: He particularly likes Bill Bennet. Senior, “In Conversation.”

174 In the past, he went to dinner parties: Senior, “In Conversation.”

175 And you may surround yourself: While judges like to trot out examples of clerks they hired who had different worldviews (likely to bolster their self-affirming views as neutral and unbiased), such actions are exceptional. As Justice Scalia has explained, “I’ve said often in the past that other things being equal, which they usually are not, I like to have one of the four clerks whose predispositions are quite the opposite of mine—who are social liberals rather than social conservatives. . . . The trouble is, I have found it hard to get liberals . . . who pay attention to text and are not playing in a policy sandbox all the time.” “In Conversation With Antonin Scalia,” *New York*, <http://nymag.com/news/features/antonin-scalia-2013-10/index6.html>. In fact, empirical research shows that the hiring of clerks has taken on an increasingly partisan character over time. So, for example, 92.7 percent of Justice Scalia’s and 100 percent of Justice Thomas’s

clerks served for a lower federal court judge appointed by a Republican president. William E. Nelson, Harvey Rishikof, I. Scott Messinger, and Michael Jo, “The Liberal Tradition of the Supreme Court Clerkship: Its Rise, Fall, and Reincarnation,” *Vanderbilt Law Review* 62 (2009): 1775–76, 1780.

175 But search engines are themselves: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding.”

175 Many of them create filter bubbles: Eli Pariser, *The Filter Bubble* (New York: Penguin Press, 2011).

175 In essence, without your awareness: Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 36. Moreover, judges are not usually in a position to assess how much weight to place in a particular source. In many cases, they simply do not have the expertise to assess the methodology of research or place the findings in context. Though he is a not-infrequent offender when it comes to in-house fact-finding, Justice Scalia has offered the most pointed criticism of the Court on this score: “an adversarial process in the trial courts can identify flaws in the methodology of the studies that the parties put forward; here, we accept the studies’ findings on faith, without examining their methodology at all.” Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 34–35.

The problem is compounded by the simply overwhelming amount of data available on any question that might be asked. There was a point in the recent past when information was held primarily in books and other print resources, which limited the number and quality of information providers, as well as the ability of a judge to access the information. He or she had to go to a library or research facility, wait for a book or journal to be retrieved, and, then, flip page-by-page to search for the relevant information. Today, in real time, a judge can read a rare book on early-English judicial procedure held by Cambridge University, sift through the entire canon

of law review articles in search of a particular term, and gain access to nearly every social science study published in a major scholarly periodical over the last decade. It is easy to get buried under the ever-increasing weight of information. Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 38. Typing “danger from police chases” into Google, for example, yields 26,900,000 results. Which of those pages holds the truth?

The adversary system was designed so that the different sides of a case or controversy could resolve that question by scrutinizing and challenging the evidence provided by the other side or sides. Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 34–35. But when judges go looking for their own facts, there is no such oversight. Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 34–35. The traditional gatekeeping function of the trial court is lost; indeed, the gates are flung open. Justices are free to disregard the information sources available—the briefs and lower court record—when those sources do not contain what they want to hear and go in search of conforming evidence to support their preconceived notions. Allison Orr Larson, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” *Virginia Law Review* 100 (2014).

A related problem comes from amicus curiae briefs that were once fashioned as impartial “friend of the court” supplements to aid justices in understanding the unique facts of a case, but that have developed into an inexpensive way for outside parties to advocate for particular positions. Larson, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” 1765–68. As a result, in important cases, the Supreme Court may be swamped by a sludge of unvetted and dubious facts, which the justices then paw through in hopes of finding a few nuggets to add a sparkle of legitimacy to whatever position they already hold. Larson, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” 1763–64. To make matters worse, instead of carefully scrutinizing the original sources, the justices often

appear to uncritically accept the second-hand account on offer and cite in opinions directly to the briefs as authorities. Larson, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” 1779.

The ultimate result is deep unfairness, both to the parties who are supposed to have a right to participate in the development and interrogation of the key facts of the case, as well as to all of those who are affected by the Court’s decisions and who are entitled to legitimate process. Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” 43.

175 Amicus curiae briefs: Larsen, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” 1757.

175 Although they often purport to: Larsen, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” 1757, 1763.

175 And members of the Court draw from: Larsen, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” 1763–64, 1785–86; Liptak, “Seeking Facts.”

175 With dozens of amici: Larsen, “The Trouble with Amicus Facts,” 1757; Liptak, “Seeking Facts.”

176 Until recently, at the 36th Street subway: “MTA Fixing Trippy Brooklyn Subway Stairs After Dean Peterson’s Hilarious Viral Video,” *Huffington Post*, June 28, 2012, http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/06/28/mta-fixing-trippy-brooklyn-subway-stairs-dean-peterson_n_1634229.html; Katy Tur, “MTA Blocks Staircase After Viral Video Shows People Tripping on Same Subway Station Step,” NBC New York, June 29, 2012, <http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Subway-Stair-Tripping-People-Fall-Steps-Brooklyn-Station-36-Street-Sunset-Park-MTA-160629545.html>.

176 Every day it caused numerous people to: Tur, “MTA Blocks Staircase.”

176 But no one did anything: “MTA Fixing Trippy Brooklyn Subway Stairs.”

176 The guy who nearly: “MTA Fixing Trippy Brooklyn Subway Stairs.”

176 The woman who fell: “MTA Fixing Trippy Brooklyn Subway Stairs.”

176 They caught their balance: Tur, “MTA Blocks Staircase.”

176 Few, if any, blamed the step: “MTA Fixing Trippy Brooklyn Subway Stairs.”

176 In under an hour: Dean Peterson, “New York Subway Stairs Gag: Dean Paterson Films Straphangers Enjoying Their ‘Trip’ (Video),” *Huffington Post*, July 5, 2012, http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/06/27/new-york-subway-stairs-dean-paterson_n_1631674.html?utm_hp_ref=new-york.

176 And within a day of the evidence: Tur, “MTA Blocks Staircase.”

176 But if no one is keeping: There is an interesting analogy to the revolution in baseball entailed by the rise of Sabermetrics. Phil Birnbaum, “A Guide to Sabermetric Research,” Society for American Baseball Research, accessed November 7, 2014, <http://sabr.org/sabermetrics>. As the godfather of Sabermetrics, Bill James has revealed the sophisticated statistical analysis of baseball that begun in the 1980s would never have been possible without the great data that had accumulated over many decades as a result of the decision by people back in the nineteenth century to keep really detailed records of games. Bill James, “Keynote Speech at the Conference on Empirical Studies,” Penn Law School, Philadelphia, PA, 25 October 2013, Keynote Address.

176 It was the *Boston Globe*’s analysis: Marcella Bombardieri, Jonathan Saltzman, and Thomas Farragher, “For Drunk Drivers, a Habit of Judicial Leniency,” *Boston Globe*, October 30, 2011, http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/articles/2011/10/30/for_drunk_drivers_a_habit_of_judicial_leniency/?page=full.

176 In 2010, 82 percent of defendants: Bombardieri, Saltzman, and Farragher, “For Drunk Drivers.”

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the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, November 1, 2012: 5–6,
<http://www.mass.gov/courts/docs/sjc/docs/sjc-statement-110112.pdf>.

177 These ongoing reform efforts: Saltzman, Bombardieri, and Farragher, “A Judicial Haven.”

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177 Judges receive surprisingly little: John Irwin and Daniel Real, “Unconscious Influences on Judicial Decision-Making,” 8; Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Inside the Judicial Mind,” 821–22; Henry T. Greely and Anthony D. Wagner, “Reference Guide on Scientific Evidence,” in *Reference Manual on Scientific Evidence*, 3rd ed. (Washington, DC: The National Academies Press, 2011), 747–812; Guthrie, Rachlinski, and Wistrich, “Blinking on the Bench,” 164–66.

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178 Everything is stacked against it: “After Sending a Man to Prison, Judge Admits He Was Biased,” NPR, June 14, 2014, <http://www.npr.org/2014/06/14/321952967/after-sending-a-man-to-prison-judge-admits-he-was-biased>.

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178 Kagan claimed that he had acted: Casarez, “Did Racial Bias.”

178 But Judge Barbaro convicted him: Casarez, “Did Racial Bias.”

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178 He realized that his own background: “After Sending a Man to Prison.”

178 That frame had caused him: Casarez, “Did Racial Bias.”

178 Revisiting the facts, Wint now appeared: McKinley, “Ex-Brooklyn Judge Seeks Reversal.”

178 It seemed Kagan had shown: McKinley, “Ex-Brooklyn Judge Seeks Reversal.”

178 Wint’s friends had dragged: McKinley, “Ex-Brooklyn Judge Seeks Reversal.”

179 When Kagan pulled his gun: McKinley, “Ex-Brooklyn Judge Seeks Reversal.”

179 In the scuffle, the gun: McKinley, “Ex-Brooklyn Judge Seeks Reversal.”

179 In December 2013, fourteen years after: McKinley, “Ex-Brooklyn Judge Seeks Reversal.”

179 It is almost unheard of: McKinley, “Ex-Brooklyn Judge Seeks Reversal.”

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[http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/11/nyregion/prosecutor-tries-to-cast-doubt-on-ex-judge-seeking-reversal-of-his-own-](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/11/nyregion/prosecutor-tries-to-cast-doubt-on-ex-judge-seeking-reversal-of-his-own-verdict.html?module=Search&mabReward=relbias%3Ar%2C%7B%221%22%3A%22RI%3A6%22%7D)

[verdict.html?module=Search&mabReward=relbias%3Ar%2C%7B%221%22%3A%22RI%3A6%22%7D](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/11/nyregion/prosecutor-tries-to-cast-doubt-on-ex-judge-seeking-reversal-of-his-own-verdict.html?module=Search&mabReward=relbias%3Ar%2C%7B%221%22%3A%22RI%3A6%22%7D).

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9. An Eye for an Eye ~ The Public

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183 And though the child had: Joseph P. McNamara, "Curiosities of the Law: Animal Prisoner at the Bar," *Notre Dame Law* 3, no. 30 (1927): 32; Bondeson, *The Feejee Mermaid and Other Essays*, 143.

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183 The crowd watched with eager eyes: Bondeson, *The Feejee Mermaid and Other Essays*, 143.

183 She had been dressed in: McNamara, "Curiosities of the Law," 32.

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183 But still, the condemned: Bondeson, *The Feejee Mermaid and Other Essays*, 143.

183 As the last preparations were made: Bondeson, *The Feejee Mermaid and Other Essays*, 143.

183 It was, the Vicomte must: Bondeson, *The Feejee Mermaid and Other Essays*, 143.

184 When, some three decades later: Bondeson, *The Feejee Mermaid and Other Essays*, 143.

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184 She was a pig: Bondeson, *The Feejee Mermaid and Other Essays*, 143.

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184 Murderous bulls were seized: Evans, *The Criminal Prosecution*.

184 Horses were burned by court: Evans, *The Criminal Prosecution*, 162.

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185 And should the tribe fail: Sir James George Frazer, “The Ox That Gored,” in *Folk-Lore in the Old Testament*, vol. 3 (London: Macmillan, 1919), 415–16; John Macrae, “Account of the Kookies of Lunctas,” *Asiatic Researches* 7 (1803): 189. I’ve added italics to emphasize a particularly interesting facet of the quotation: if the actual perpetrator is not caught, a stand-in perpetrator must be found and killed.

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190 In one, a shark attacks: Goodwin and Benforado, “Judging the Goring Ox,” 17.

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- 232 The inmates often save up:** Gentleman, “Inside Halden.”
- 232 There are tablecloths:** Gentleman, “Inside Halden.”
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11. What We Must Overcome ~ The Challenge

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241 And if the judge orders evidence: Model Criminal Jury Instructions § 1.08.

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<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/07/02/zimmerman-trayvon-martin-murder-trial/2482325/>. However, in a critical moment at trial, Officer Chris Serino of the Sanford Police stated that, in interviewing the defendant following the incident, Zimmerman appeared to be truthful in recounting that he had shot seventeen-year-old Trayvon Martin in self-defense. Buckley, “State’s Witnesses Put Prosecution on Defense.” Having your own witness confirm the central account of the other side can lose a case, but the prosecution did not object immediately. Buckley, “State’s Witnesses Put Prosecution on Defense.” By the next day, though, having considered its options, the prosecution decided to argue that Serino’s testimony on Zimmerman’s credibility ought to be excluded. Alcindor, “Officer Testimony No Slam Dunk.” The judge agreed and the jurors were simply told to ignore what they had heard and considered in the intervening hours. Alcindor, “Officer Testimony No Slam Dunk.” While we cannot know exactly why the prosecution went on to lose the case, as discussed earlier, experimental evidence casts serious doubt on the effectiveness of the judge’s admonition. Matthew Hutson, “Unnatural Selection,” *Psychology Today* 40 (2007): 95. Our judicial procedures have conjured up a magical delete button in jurors’ brains that simply does not exist. Hutson, “Unnatural Selection,” 95.

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243 In the case of *Miranda* rights: *Salinas v. Texas*, 133 S.Ct. 2174 (2013).

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244 The Supreme Court’s handling of: Joel D. Lieberman, “The Utility of Scientific Jury Selection: Still Murky After 30 Years,” *Current Directions in Psychological Science* 20 (2011): 48.

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244 Facing significant criticism, the Supreme Court finally: Equal Justice Initiative, “Illegal Racial Discrimination in Jury Selection: A Continuing Legacy” (2010): 12,

<http://www.law.berkeley.edu/files/thcsj/IllegalRacialDiscriminationJurySelection.pdf>; Sommers and Norton, “Race-Based Judgments,” 263–64. When Robert Swain, a black man, unsuccessfully challenged his death penalty conviction based on the fact that there were no black people on his jury (all six African Americans on the panel were struck by the prosecutor), the Supreme Court dissent noted that, despite African Americans making up 26 percent of the jury-eligible population, no African American “within the memory of persons [then] living [had] ever served on any petit jury in any civil or criminal case tried in Talladega County, Alabama.” Swain v. Alabama, 380 U.S. 202, 231–32 (1965) (Goldberg, J., dissenting).

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245 Experimental research involving practicing attorneys: Sommers and Norton, “Race-Based Judgments,” 261.

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Crocker and Kovera, *Systematic Jury Selection*, 25–26; Frederick, *Social Science Involvement*, 375–94.

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251 Actual jurors are generally scored: Hutson, “Unnatural Selection,” 93; Kate Early, “The Impact of Pretrial Publicity on an Indigent Capital Defendant’s Due Process Right to a Jury Consultant,” *Roger Williams University Law Review* 16 (2011): 694–95. Although they are not always permitted, in the search for deeper insight into potential jurors, questionnaires can sometimes push past a hundred questions: the one in O.J. Simpson’s trial had some three hundred questions or, put differently, roughly 50 percent more questions than on the Multistate Bar Exam that Simpson’s lawyers had to pass in order to practice law. Hutson, “Unnatural Selection,” 93; National Conference of Bar Examiners, “The Multistate Bar Examination (MBE),” <http://www.ncbex.org/about-ncbe-exams/mbe/>.

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251 Historically, the big concern has been: There has always been a danger of bogus expertise and advice from those offering to reveal the secret tricks for winning trials. Amy J. Posey and Lawrence S. Wrightsman, *Trial Consulting* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2005): 22. Although the notion, back in the 1950s, that a New York prosecutor should go for Yankee fans

and strike Brooklyn Dodger fans is a close second, my favorite bit of historical flimflam is that it is best to get rid of all jurors who work in professions that start with the letter p, including “pimps, prostitutes, preachers, plumbers, procurers, psychologists, physicians, psychiatrists, printers, painters, philosophers, professors, phonies, parachutists, pipe-smokers, or part-time anything.” Lieberman and Sales, *Scientific Jury Selection*, 58 (quoting William Jennings Bryan, *The Chosen Ones: The Psychology of Jury Selection* [New York: Vantage Press, 1971], 28). Such advice seems clearly absurd, but the desperation of those facing criminal punishment can make them easy marks, even today.

A related issue is that efforts to predict jury behavior, *in general*, based on personality traits or demographic factors such as race, gender, age, and income have produced decidedly mixed results. Lieberman and Sales, *Scientific Jury Selection*, 79–80. Certain personal characteristics and preferences have shown promise, including an individual’s preference for clear rules, order, and authoritarian leadership, which appears to be linked to having a pro-prosecution bent (that is, being more inclined to find a defendant guilty and support a harsher sentence). Lieberman and Sales, *Scientific Jury Selection*, 80–81. Yet, for many factors, there appears to be a lot of within-group variation and the correlations are often highly dependent on the particular facts of a case. Lieberman, “The Utility of Scientific Jury Selection,” 49. For instance, consultants are aware that the influence of juror race appears to turn on whether the juror and the defendant are the same race: we favor our fellow ingroup members, in part, because we are motivated to see those who are “like us” in positive lights. Lieberman, “The Utility of Scientific Jury Selection,” 49. But if the defendant is clearly guilty of a quite significant harm, and the other jurors happen to be of a different race, the effect may flip, with harsher resulting judgments of the defendant (scientists refer to this, rather aptly, as “the black sheep effect”).

Lieberman, “The Utility of Scientific Jury Selection,” 49; Crocker and Kovera, “Systematic Jury Selection,” 20. As a result, it can be tricky to figure out how known predictive factors will interact in a particular case.

That said, as additional research is conducted, and trial consultants continue to incorporate insights from psychology into their practice, it is likely that a lot of the current haziness may clear and trial consultants will become more adept at predicting general jury behavior.

251 The expansion of the industry: Stephen J. Paterson and Norma J. Silverstein, “Jury Research—How to Use It,” *United States Attorneys’ Bulletin* 48, no. 3 (2000), 1, http://www.justice.gov/usao/eousa/foia_reading_room/usab4803.pdf; Early, “The Impact of Pretrial Publicity,” 692–93.

251 The result is that trial services: Crocker and Kovera, “Systematic Jury Selection,” 27.

251 Jury consultants are commonplace: “Trial Consulting for Criminal Cases,” NJP Litigation Consulting, accessed May 4, 2014, http://www.njp.com/notable_CriminalCases_cases.html; Rachel Hartje, “A Jury of Your Peers?: How Jury Consulting May Actually Help Trial Lawyers Resolve Constitutional Limitations Imposed on the Selection of Juries,” *California Western Law Review* 41 (2005): 493.

252 And it’s part of the standard defense: For example, former McKinsey and Company managing director Rajat Gupta, former Credit Suisse First Boston banker Frank Quattrone, and former Tyco chief executive L. Dennis Kozlowski all hired trial consultants. Peter Lattman, “Jury Is Seated in Rajat Gupta Trial,” *New York Times*, May 21, 2012, <http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2012/05/21/jury-is-seated-in-rajat-gupta-trial/>; Bloomberg News, “Stewart Sued by Jury Consultant for \$74,047 in Fees,” *Chicago Tribune*, November 18, 2005,

accessed May 4, 2014, http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2005-11-18/business/0511180118_1_martha-stewart-living-omnimedia-investment-banker-frank-quattrone-jury-consultant.

252 But those with fewer resources: Hartje, “A Jury of Your Peers?” 503. Judges have rarely sought to even the playing field. In the voir dire of Rajat Gupta’s insider trading trial, for example, although the prosecution objected to the use by the defense of jury consultants and lawyers outside of the courtroom who analyzed potential jurors as their names were called out, Judge Jed S. Rakoff allowed it on the grounds that finding out potential juror conflicts earlier in the trial would improve the efficiency of the proceedings. Lattman, “Jury Is Seated in Rajat Gupta Trial.”

Some scholars have made the claim that a poor defendant ought to be provided with a trial consultant if he cannot afford to hire one on his own as a basic due process right. Steven C. Serio, “A Process Right Due? Examining Whether a Capital Defendant Has a Due Process Right to a Jury Selection Expert,” *American University Law Review* 53 (2004): 1186. And at least one court has provided a consultant for an indigent defendant when there was significant damaging pretrial publicity. *Corenevsky v. Superior Court*, 682 P.2d 360, 369 (Cal. 1984); Serio, “A Process Right Due?” 1186. As much as I agree that justice should not depend on one’s wealth, I am skeptical that recognizing an ineffective assistance of counsel claim brought by defendants whose public defender did not employ a trial consultant is the right approach. Kressel and Kressel, *Stack and Sway*, 75. In such a scenario, many low-income (but not destitute) individuals will still be denied access.

252 Justice Hugo Black was right when: National Legal Aid and Defender Association, “Collected Quotes Pertaining to Equal Justice,” *Communication Resources*, accessed May 4, 2014, http://www.nlada.org/News/Equal_Justice_Quotes.

252 Like those who assisted Joan Little: This is generally considered the first instance of modern trial consulting, but that may partially be due to the high-profile nature of the case. Myrna Oliver, “R.D. Herman; ‘Harrisburg 7’ Trial Judge,” *Los Angeles Times*, April 9, 1990, http://articles.latimes.com/1990-04-09/news/mn-674_1_trial-judge; William O’Rourke, *The Harrisburg 7 and the New Catholic Left* (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame, 2012): 266; Crocker and Kovera, “Systematic Jury Selection,” 15.

252 Seven antiwar activists: Oliver, “R.D. Herman.”

253 The government elected to stage: Lieberman and Sales, *Scientific Jury Selection*, 4.

253 Jay Schulman and his team: Lieberman and Sales, *Scientific Jury Selection*, 4. Over the next decade and a half, Jay Schulman’s focus shifted from solely assisting the less fortunate—Attica inmates, radicals, battered woman—to also providing services to the wealthy and powerful, including the socialite Claus von Bulow and Wall Street bigwigs accused of insider trading. E. R. Shipp, “Jay Schulman, Expert on Juries,” *New York Times*, December 3, 1987.

253 With clients paying tens of thousands: Tricia McDermott, “The Jury Consultants,” CBS News, June 2, 2004, http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-18559_162-620794.html; “Use of Jury Consultants,” USLegal.com, accessed May 4, 2014, <http://courts.uslegal.com/jury-system/selection-process-at-the-courthouse/use-of-jury-consultants/>.

253 It presents a golden: What is for sale is not truth or accuracy—it is the keys to manipulating the system and its central players. The product at The Advocates—the leading jury and trial consulting firm in the United States—is influence: “successfully **persuading judges,**

juries and arbitrators in trial and arbitration,” and the means are an understanding of human psychology. “About The Advocates,” The Advocates, accessed May 4, 2014, <http://www.theadvocates.com/philosophy.htm>. As DecisionQuest—another leading trial research company—explains in its promotional materials, “Our job is to arm you with an understanding of what, why and how the decision-makers are thinking as your case evolves.” “Trial Consulting and Research,” DecisionQuest, accessed May 4, 2014, <http://www.decisionquest.com/utility/showArticle/?objectID=1536>.

254 Today, witness preparation is a key service: LeGrande and Mierau, “Witness Preparation and the Trial Consulting Industry,” 949–50.

254 This preparation carries a number of benefits: LeGrande and Mierau, “Witness Preparation and the Trial Consulting Industry,” 953; Richard C. Wydick, “The Ethics of Witness Coaching,” *Cardozo Law Review* 17 (1995): 12–13; Peter A. Joy and Kevin C. McMunigal, “Witness Preparation: When Does It Cross the Line?” *Criminal Justice* 17 (2002): 48.

254 Lawyers are responsible for the: As the Maryland Court of Appeals explained, “Attorneys have not only the right but also the duty to fully investigate the case and to interview persons who may be witnesses.” *State v. Earp*, 571 A.2d 1227, 1234–36 (Md. 1990).

254 In fact, a defendant can actually bring: See, e.g., *Gilliam v. State*, 629 A.2d 685, 694 (Md. 1993).

254 The American Bar Association: Model Rules of Professional Conduct R. 3.4(b); LeGrande and Mierau, “Witness Preparation and the Trial Consulting Industry,” 947, 951.

254–55 As the North Carolina Supreme Court explained: *State v. McCormick*, 259 S.E.2d 880, 882–83 (N.C. 1979). A large majority of judges and attorneys see nothing wrong with a lawyer or consultant refreshing the memory of a witness during trial preparation. As the

Appellate Court of Illinois articulated, “An attorney is bound by the testimony of his witnesses and there is nothing improper in refreshing their memories before they take the stand. Reviewing their testimony before trial makes for better direct examination, facilitates the trial and lessens the possibility of irrelevant and perhaps prejudicial interpolations.” *People v. McGuirk*, 245 N.E.2d 917, 922 (Ill.App. 1969).

255 Members of the United States Supreme Court: *United States v. MacDonald*, 456 U.S. 1, 23 (1982).

255 And they have repeatedly emphasized: *MacDonald*, 456 U.S. at 23; *Geders v. United States*, 425 U.S. 80, 89–91 (1976). As the Ninth Circuit has explained, “Cross-examination and argument are the primary tools for addressing improper witness coaching.” *United States v. Sayakhom*, 186 F.3d 928, 945 (1999).

255 All of this means that: Interestingly, although a lawyer is responsible for the trial consultants that he or she hires, trial consultants are not regulated—you can call yourself a trial consultant and go to work without any particular qualifications at all. LeGrande and Mierau, “Witness Preparation and the Trial Consulting Industry,” 951, 957. The American Society of Trial Consultants does have a professional code, with standards enforceable by the society, as well as purely advisory guidelines. American Society of Trial Consultants, *The Professional Code of the American Society of Trial Consultants* (2013), <http://www.astcweb.org/userfiles/image/ASTCFullCodeFINAL20131.pdf>. But the standards are extremely general and easily met, even when an attorney engages in conduct that is very likely to distort witness memory and testimony: for example, “Trial consultants shall advocate that a witness tell the truth.” American Society of Trial Consultants, *The Professional Code*, 31. The guidelines also leave an incredible amount of latitude to the trial consultant: they suggest not

scripting “specific answers” or censoring “appropriate and relevant answers based solely on the expected harmful effect on case outcome.” American Society of Trial Consultants, *The Professional Code*, 32. Moreover, the guidelines approve of methods of witness preparation that have been shown to lead to distortion including “[w]ork[ing] to increase witness comfort and confidence in testimony” and “conduct[ing] and review[ing] a sufficient number of mock examinations to encourage the greatest improvement.” American Society of Trial Consultants, *The Professional Code*, 33.

255 And because such preparation invariably: LeGrande and Mierau, “Witness Preparation and the Trial Consulting Industry,” 954–55.

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255 In the experiment, every mock juror: Moore et al., “Wolves in Sheep’s Clothing,” 175.

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256 According to the researchers: Moore et al., “Wolves in Sheep’s Clothing,” 175.

256 Is it any surprise, then: James J. Gobert, Ellen Kreitzberg, and Charles H. Rose III, *Jury Selection: The Law, Art and Science of Selecting a Jury* (Eagan, MN: West, 2009): § 14:3; Twila Wingrove et al., “The Use of Survey Research in Trial Consulting,” in *Handbook of Trial Consulting*, eds. Richard L. Wiener and Brian H. Bornstein (New York: Springer, 2011): 100–01.

256 In some ways, research like this: As another example, one of the fascinating ways that scientific jury analysis is employed is for identifying potentially helpful jurors who the other side might try to remove for an impermissible reason, like the fact that they are African American.

Paterson and Silverstein, “Jury Research—How to Use It.” However, it can also have a dark side: coming up with alternative reasons for preemptively challenging someone that you want to remove based on race or gender. Indeed, an article in the *United States Attorneys’ Bulletin* more than a decade ago suggested that U.S. prosecutors already had the capacity to employ questionnaire data and statistical analysis to do exactly that. As the two government attorney authors explained, “for each juror the government was likely to strike, the computer identified and included in the report those areas of the questionnaire that could be used to defend against a potential *Batson* challenge made by the defense.” Paterson and Silverstein, “Jury Research—How to Use It.”

12. What We Can Do ~ The Future

257 A little over one hundred years ago: G. K. Chesterton, “G. K. Chesterton Empanels a Jury,” *Lapham’s Quarterly*, accessed May 20, 2014, <http://www.laphamsquarterly.org/voices-in-time/g-k-chesterton-empanels-a-jury.php?page=all>.

257 After taking his oath: Chesterton, “G. K. Chesterton Empanels a Jury.”

257 From that intimate vantage point: Chesterton, “G. K. Chesterton Empanels a Jury.”

257 As he explained, the problem: Chesterton, “G. K. Chesterton Empanels a Jury.”

257 For Chesterton, the solution was: Chesterton, “G. K. Chesterton Empanels a Jury.”

258 The good news is that: Calvin K. Lai et al., “Reducing Implicit Racial Preferences: I. A Comparative Investigation of 17 Interventions,” *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General* 143, no. 4 (2014): 2; Calvin K. Lai, Kelly M. Hoffman, and Brian A. Nosek, “Reducing Implicit Prejudice,” *Social and Personality Psychology Compass* 7 (2013): 315–30. doi: 10.1111/spc3.12023; Rajees Sritharan and Bertram Gawronski, “Changing Implicit and Explicit

Prejudice: Insights from the Associative-Propositional Evaluation Model,” *Social Psychology* 41 (2010): 113–23, doi: 10.1027/1864-9335/a000017; Leon Neyfakh, “The Bias Fighters,” *Boston Globe*, September 21, 2014, <http://www.bostonglobe.com/ideas/2014/09/20/the-bias-fighters/1TZh1WyzG2sG5CmXoh8dRP/story.html>.

258 There’s now evidence, for example: People show racial bias both in how quickly they make decisions to shoot or hold their fire and in how accurate those decisions turn out to be (that is, whether they fire at those pointing guns and don’t fire at those holding wallets or cell phones). So, when presented with an unarmed black man, experimental participants are more likely to shoot him than if he is white, and they are also more hesitant in responding to armed and dangerous white men. For an overview of the research, see Adam Benforado, “Quick on the Draw: Implicit Bias and the Second Amendment,” *Oregon Law Review* 89: 42–44. For a sample of some of the research studies investigating the role of race in shooter decision-making, see Joshua Correll et al., “Across the Thin Blue Line: Police Officers and Racial Bias in the Decision to Shoot,” *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology* 92, no. 6 (2007): 1006; Joshua Correll et al., “Event-Related Potentials and the Decision to Shoot: The Role of Threat Perception and Cognitive Control,” *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology* 42 (2006): 120; E. Ashby Plant and B. Michelle Peruche, “The Consequences of Race for Police Officers’ Responses to Criminal Suspects,” *Psychological Science* 16 (2005): 180; Anthony G. Greenwald et al., “Targets of Discrimination: Effects of Race on Responses to Weapons Holders,” *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology* 39 (2003): 399; Joshua Correll et al., “The Police Officer’s Dilemma: Using Ethnicity to Disambiguate Potentially Threatening Individuals,” *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology* 83 (2002): 1314. For discussion of the positive effects of

simulator training, see Benforado, “Quick on the Draw,” 46–48; Correll et al., “Across the Thin Blue Line,” 1007, 1020–21.

258 The training doesn’t remove: Benforado, “Quick on the Draw,” 48; Correll et al., “Across the Thin Blue Line,” 1020.

258 To do that, scientists have been: Calvin K. Lai et al., “Reducing Implicit Racial Preferences: I. A Comparative Investigation of 17 Interventions,” *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General* 143, no. 4 (2014): 1–21; Leon Neyfakh, “The Bias Fighters,” *Boston Globe*, September 21, 2014, <http://www.bostonglobe.com/ideas/2014/09/20/the-bias-fighters/ITZh1WyzG2sG5CmXoh8dRP/story.html>.

258 One successful approach is to: Lai et al., “Reducing Implicit Racial Preferences,” 7, 15–16; Neyfakh, “The Bias Fighters.” Of course, stereotypes can also be reinforced: in one experiment, people exposed to newspaper stories about black criminals subsequently showed greater racial bias in their shooting behavior. Joshua Correll et al., “The Influence of Stereotypes on Decisions to Shoot,” *European Journal of Social Psychology* 37 (2007): 1102, 1107.

258 Another involves presenting a vivid story: Lai et al., “Reducing Implicit Racial Preferences,” 7, 15–16; Neyfakh, “The Bias Fighters.”

258 Now that we know some: Lai et al., “Reducing Implicit Racial Preferences,” 17–18; Neyfakh, “The Bias Fighters.”

260 Visit the Martin guitar factory: “Martin Guitar Factory Tour Part 3 (of 6),” YouTube video, 13:57, posted by “Musician’s Friend,” April 14, 2010, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e4K1ec2n_M8.

260 The lacquer on the exterior: “Martin Guitar Factory Tour.”

260 With its pressure-sensitive wheel: “Martin Guitar Factory Tour.”

260 As Dick Boak, a longtime employee, explains: “Martin Guitar Factory Tour”; Dick Boak, “Welcome,” 2008, accessed May 20, 2014, http://www.dickboak.com/dickboak_website/Home.html.

260 We need to be similarly flexible: Whether the focus has been on building instruments, diagnosing illnesses, or racing cars, naysayers have inevitably emerged to suggest that human intuitions, decision-making, and execution are just fine (even optimal), and that the latest research that suggests that they are not is just a fad or a conspiracy or worse. When sabermetrics—the statistical study of baseball—was first introduced, there were numerous skeptics who believed that the best way to tell a good player was by watching him swing a bat and throw a ball, and, even today, there are many who remain wary of replacing or supplementing the intuitions of scouts with mathematical calculations of dynamics that you can’t pick up from just watching games. Phil Birnbaum, “A Guide to Sabermetric Research,” Society for American Baseball Research, accessed May 20, 2014, <http://sabr.org/sabermetrics>. It is unpleasant to imagine that a computer might be better at selecting a team than a human being. And it is equally disquieting to think that a machine might do a better job polishing a fine Martin guitar—objects made with human hands, we imagine, are necessarily superior. Yet, in each case, the backlash has been largely overcome by the results.

261 Little would be lost: If eliminating the right to remove jurors without cause proved politically untenable, we might consider replacing it with a more vigorous disqualification for cause. In any case, people should not lose their ability to participate in a vital part of our civic process because of the clothes they are wearing, the color of their fingernail polish, or their posture, let alone the color of their skin or their gender.

261 Although, as we've seen, videos are not: Of course, as discussed previously, we must be cautious about how we employ video footage, conscious that it can create its own biases.

261 The closer we come to a world: One long-term project may be to develop technology that can create rough images or models of people's faces from DNA left at a crime scene. That possibility has been raised by recent research focused on using interpersonal differences in certain genes believed to be implicated in facial development to produce predictive 3D models of what a person looks like. Sara Reardon, "Mugshots Built from DNA Data," *Nature*, March 20, 2014, <http://www.nature.com/news/mugshots-built-from-dna-data-1.14899>. The challenge is that there is no one gene that determines the shape of your nose and environmental influences can have a big impact on your ultimate visage. But researchers are not daunted and other projects are underway focused on using DNA to predict height and eye color, among other personal features.

262 A few cities, for example: Only about one out of five incidents of gunfire is reported to the police. David S. Fallis, "ShotSpotter Detection System Documents 39,000 Shooting Incidents in the District," *Washington Post*, November 2, 2013, http://www.washingtonpost.com/investigations/shotspotter-detection-system-documents-39000-shooting-incidents-in-the-district/2013/11/02/055f8e9c-2ab1-11e3-8ade-a1f23cda135e_story.html; Yann Ranaivo, "Wilmington to Lease \$415,000 Gunshot Sensor Network," *News Journal*, February 19, 2014, <http://www.delawareonline.com/story/news/crime/2014/02/19/wilmington-to-lease-415000-gunshot-sensor-network/5625179/>.

262 Likewise, knowing that detectives often: Michael Wilson, "Crime Scene Investigation: 360 Degrees," *New York Times*, November 18, 2011, http://lens.blogs.nytimes.com/2011/11/18/crime-scene-investigation-360-degrees/?_r=0.

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262 Coming across an individual on the street: Ruderman, “New Tool for Police Officers.”

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263 Such technology does raise civil liberties concerns: We will have to engage in a similar balancing calculation when it comes to new tracking technology, like the StarChase system, which allows officers to shoot a small sticky GPS device from the front of their squad car at a fleeing vehicle. Mike Riggs, “The End of Car Chases,” *The Atlantic*, October 31, 2013, <http://www.theatlanticcities.com/technology/2013/10/end-car-chases/7425/>; StarChase, “How it Works—Overview,” 2013, accessed May 21, 2014, <http://www.starchase.com/howitworks.html>. Already being used in Florida and Iowa, the hope is that the system will eliminate the need for dangerous police chases that lead to loss of life and significant property damage, as we saw in Victor Harris’s case. Riggs, “The End of Car Chases.” Critics, though, worry that such warrantless tracking presents a significant threat to citizens’ privacy rights. Riggs, “The End of Car Chases.”

263 All that said, the best way to: Indeed, the best solution to a problem is not always the obvious one and we should be creative. One of my favorite demonstrations of this principle

relates to an unexpected way that researchers discovered to cut down on illiteracy in the developing world. Amy Yee, “In India, a Small Pill with Positive Side Effects,” *New York Times*, April 4, 2012, <http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/2012/04/04/in-india-a-small-pill-with-positive-side-effects/?hp>. It wasn’t hiring better teachers or instituting monetary rewards for learning milestones; it was deworming pills. Yee, “In India, a Small Pill.” It turns out that 600 million children suffer from worms and it is a leading reason why they miss school. Yee, “In India, a Small Pill.” For less than the cost of a coffee per student, however, the parasites can be wiped out, resulting in a big boost in attendance and a significantly increased chance that a child will learn to read and write. Yee, “In India, a Small Pill.”

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Cashless,” *BloombergView*, April 29, 2014, <http://www.bloombergview.com/articles/2014-04-29/fighting-crime-by-going-cashless>.

264 The federal government had begun requiring: Looking at the state of Missouri, the authors surmised that taking about \$55.9 million of cash out of circulation each month produced a 9.8 percent reduction in crime. Wright et al., “Less Cash,” 25.

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264 So why not create an: Allison Orr Larsen, “Confronting Supreme Court Fact Finding,” *Virginia Law Review* 98 (2012): 1310.

264 Indeed, when a defendant: *West’s Encyclopedia of American Law*, s.v. “Insanity Defense,” accessed May 22, 2014, <http://legal-dictionary.thefreedictionary.com/Insanity+Defense>.

265 Responding to the scene of: Similarly, during an interrogation, a detective could depart from protocol established to diminish the likelihood of false confessions and lie to the suspect about evidence found at the scene of the crime, but that officer would do so knowing that he would later have to articulate his reasons and knowing that if such reasons were deemed insufficient, it would seriously undermine the validity of any confession that was obtained.

265 All too often people end up: Dan Simon, *In Doubt: The Psychology of the Criminal Justice Process* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2012), 83.

265 We need to disrupt automatic behavior: The good news is that this is unlikely to require much of a shift in practice. Police officers already follow numerous rules of conduct. And while there may be some resistance based on the notion that protocols are for “low level” functionaries and that judges and lawyers cannot possibly be expected to follow them, these legal actors already operate based on established scripts, from the rules of procedure in the courtroom to the

way they write their briefs or opinions constrained by statutory law and precedent. The difference is simply that the new protocols will be based in empirical research, not untested intuitions. As the science becomes more and more settled, some of the defaults could be changed into absolute prohibitions.

266 If jurors and judges can be swayed: In the future, a juror might put on a pair of “trial” glasses that linked up to a virtual environment. In this environment, every person could be represented by a neutral avatar with the same facial features, blended skin tone, ambiguous gender, and other physical characteristics. When judges, attorneys, witnesses, and jurors needed to speak, their voices could be modulated to create uniformity.

267 Introducing virtual trials would also be: Courtroom violence, especially against courtroom staff, judges, and lawyers, has been on the rise. Caroline Cournoyer, “Courtroom Violence on the Rise,” *Governing the States and Localities*, January 19, 2012, <http://www.governing.com/blogs/view/courtroom-violence-on-the-rise.html>.

268 All virtual trials could be recorded: In addition, another significant benefit of establishing carefully controlled uniformity would be that it would allow for much more effective scientific research in the future. Psychologists and neuroscientists always struggle to simulate a real trial environment, but with the use of virtual courtrooms, that problem might be largely eliminated. Every experiment on juror perceptions or witness testimony or attorney behavior could employ the same virtual environment used in real cases. Indeed, by recording virtual trials, study participants could be presented with the exact same experience as actual judges and jurors in real cases.

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Court Hearings,” accessed May 23, 2014, <http://www.dmlp.org/legal-guide/recording-public-meetings-and-court-hearings>; Digital Media Law Project, “State Law: Recording,” accessed May 23, 2014, <http://www.dmlp.org/legal-guide/state-law-recording>.

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269 A soldier sitting at a computer: Mark Bowden, “The Killing Machines,” *The Atlantic*, August 14, 2013, <http://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2013/09/the-killing-machines-how-to-think-about-drones/309434/>; Michael Hastings, “The Rise of the Killer Drones: How America Goes to War in Secret,” *Rolling Stone*, April 16, 2012, <http://www.rollingstone.com/politics/news/the-rise-of-the-killer-drones-how-america-goes-to-war-in-secret-20120416>.

270 On a smaller scale, surgeons working: Joseph L. Flatley, “World’s First Remote Heart Surgery Completed in Leicester, UK,” *Engadget*, May 4, 2010, <http://www.engadget.com/2010/05/04/worlds-first-remote-heart-surgery-completed-in-leicester-uk/>; Stanford Lucile Packard Children’s Hospital, “What Cardiothoracic Surgery at the Children’s Heart Center Is Known For,” accessed May 22, 2014, <http://www.lpch.org/clinicalSpecialtiesServices/COE/ChildrensHeartCenter/ctSurgery/knownFor>

.html. Videoconferencing is also increasingly common in more routine interactions, from chatting with friends and family using Skype or Apple FaceTime to conducting meetings with Microsoft NetMeeting to teaching online classes. In one recent survey, roughly half of MBA student job applicants and two out of three employers had experience using video conferencing technology. Greg J. Sears et al., “A Comparative Assessment of Videoconferencing and Face-to-Fact Employment Interviews,” *Management Decision* 51 (2013): 1738. It is also worth noting that it is already common at trials for jurors to be presented with animations or virtual-reality reenactments of key events. Brian Bornstein and Edie Greene, “Jury Decision Making: Implications For and From Psychology,” *Current Directions in Psychological Science* 20 (2011): 66.

270 So, we must ask ourselves: The legal obstacles—like the Sixth Amendment’s guarantee that the accused “shall enjoy the right . . . to be confronted with the witnesses against him”—are more significant, but they are not insurmountable. U.S. Const. amend. VI. Courts have already carved out exceptions to the right to face-to-face confrontation, including allowing closed circuit video testimony by children in cases involving abuse. Wense, “The Confrontation Clause in Video Conferencing,” 4. And the meaning of the Amendment may very well continue to evolve to permit a virtual courtroom as virtual interactions become more common in all fields.

270 The traditional justifications: Wense, “The Confrontation Clause in Video Conferencing,” 12.

270 If our current legal rules prevent us: One important consideration in deciding whether increased virtual interactions make sense in the criminal justice system is whether they might introduce new biases or bring other unforeseen costs. There is some evidence, for example, that interviews using video conferencing result in lower ratings for job candidates and more negative

assessments of interviewers. Sears et al., “A Comparative Assessment of Videoconferencing and Face-to-Fact Employment Interviews,” 1733. That said, it seems likely that such effects will significantly dissipate or vanish completely with improved technology and increased virtual interactions, as lagging Internet connections, poorly placed cameras, and stress brought on by unfamiliarity with the format are not likely to be future problems. Sears et al., “A Comparative Assessment of Videoconferencing and Face-to-Fact Employment Interviews.”

270 Plus, with virtual technology: As with the virtual courtroom, virtual interrogations and interviews could all be recorded, which would allow researchers to identify more readily the best techniques for eliciting complete and uncorrupted testimonial evidence.

270 Some virtual spaces are already: Simon, *In Doubt*, 86. For example, the PC_Eyewitness computer program has been developed to facilitate more accurate eyewitness identifications. Otto H. MacLin, Christian A. Meissner, and Laura A. Zimmerman, “PC_Eyewitness: A Computerized Framework for the Administration and Practical Application of Research in Eyewitness Psychology,” *Behavior Research Methods* 37 (2005): 324–34; Otto H. MacLin, Laura A. Zimmerman, and Roy S. Malpass, “PC_Eyewitness and the Sequential Superiority Effect: Computer-Based Lineup Administration,” *Law and Human Behavior* 29 (2005): 303–21.

270 Lineups created, chosen, and administered: Simon, *In Doubt*, 86; MacLin, Meissner, and Zimmerman, “PC_Eyewitness”; MacLin, Zimmerman, and Malpass, “PC_Eyewitness and the Sequential Superiority Effect.”

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Production of Evil,” *Psychological Inquiry* 3 (1992): 199–218; Leonard Berkowitz, “Evil Is More than Banal: Situationism and the Concept of Evil,” *Personality and Social Psychology Review* 3 (1999): 246–53.

272 Some urban police forces have already: John Buntin, “What Does It Take to Stop Crips and Bloods from Killing Each Other,” *New York Times*, July 10, 2013, <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/07/14/magazine/what-does-it-take-to-stop-crips-and-bloods-from-killing-each-other.html?pagewanted=all>.

272 One recent example comes from: Buntin, “What Does It Take to Stop Crips and Bloods from Killing Each Other.”

273 Hoping to reverse the tide: Buntin, “What Does It Take to Stop Crips and Bloods from Killing Each Other.”

273 The two groups began coming together: Buntin, “What Does It Take to Stop Crips and Bloods from Killing Each Other.”

273 The new level of understanding: Buntin, “What Does It Take to Stop Crips and Bloods from Killing Each Other.”

273 In 2013, in fact, Los Angeles: “L.A. Now Live: First Homicides of 2014 and L.A.’s Crime Statistics,” *L.A. Times*, January 6, 2014, <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-la-now-live-crime-stats-20140106-dto,0,5233748.story#axzz2tmpi2j2R>. The crime statistics suggest that Los Angeles residents are now as safe as New Yorkers. Buntin, “What Does It Take to Stop Crips and Bloods from Killing Each Other.”

273 There are many factors at work: Buntin, “What Does It Take to Stop Crips and Bloods from Killing Each Other.”

273 And we ought to rethink certain: The New York Police Department, for example, prohibits personnel from residing in the same precinct to which they are assigned. Brian Lehrer, “Following Up: Should Cops Live in the Same Neighborhoods they Police?,” *WNYC*, April 18, 2013, <http://www.wnyc.org/story/287583-following-beat-cops-and-community-policing/>.

273 The resulting interrogations tend to: It is noteworthy that the first of the Reid technique’s “nine steps of interrogation” is “confrontation of the suspect with a statement that he is considered to be the person who committed the offense.” Fred E. Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions* (Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett Learning, 2011), 188.

273 So, what if we recast: Simon, *In Doubt*, 141; Saul M. Kassin et al., “Police-Induced Confessions: Risk Factors and Recommendations,” *Law and Human Behavior* 34 (2019): 27–28.

273 That’s why detectives are permitted: Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions*, 205. The Reid technique manual states that “the purpose of an interrogation is to learn the truth.” Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions*, 5. But that’s contradicted by the focus on minimization approaches that direct investigators to, for example, “Suggest a Less Revolting and More Morally Acceptable Motivation or Reason for the Offense Than That Which Is Known or Presumed.” Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions*, 214. Someone who is believed to have sexually assaulted a child is to be given the opportunity “to ‘save face’ by blaming alcohol for his conduct.” Inbau, et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions*, 214. Likewise, an investigator should suggest to a suspect in a fatal robbery “that the suspect had not intended, or had not planned, the killing, and that the only motive was to get some needed money; nevertheless, the shooting was necessary when the victim resisted the robbery attempt.” Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions*, 215. In other words, the goal is getting an admission of guilt, facts be damned. And this is extraordinarily problematic,

not only because in suggesting these “themes” investigators are liable to interfere with levels of criminal intent relevant during the guilt phase of trial but also because these false justifications may sway the punishment phase of trial. The Reid manual’s suggestion that such problems can be dealt with by investigators going back later in the interrogation process to solicit additional corroborative details to prove the required element of criminal intent or by police testifying at trial about the nature of the confession seem weak countermeasures indeed. Inbau et al., *Criminal Interrogation and Confessions*, 217–18.

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275 That means that only one: Lindsey Devers, “Plea and Charge Bargaining Research Summary,” U.S. Department of Justice, January 21, 2011, <https://www.bja.gov/Publications/PleaBargainingResearchSummary.pdf>.

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275 Only one in ten is provided: Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 21.

275 Constitutional protections do not apply: Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 21; Dubber, “American Plea Bargains,” 598.

275 And this is particularly consequential: Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 18.

275 Blacks taking pleas end up with: Devers, “Plea and Charge Bargaining Research Summary,” 3.

275 People committing: One district attorney may decide to crack down on an offense, while another offers leniency. Devers, “Plea and Charge Bargaining Research Summary,” 3.

276 And, as we’ve seen: This is exacerbated when prosecutors use threats to gain a conviction despite having insubstantial evidence to actually prevail before a jury. Devers, “Plea and Charge Bargaining Research Summary,” 1–2.

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278 Employment does more than: Christopher Uggen, “Work as a Turning Point in the Life Course of Criminals: A Duration Model of Age, Employment, and Recidivism,” *American Sociological Review* 67 (2000): 529–31.

278 Day-pass employment of prisoners: Such privileges can also be great tools for positive reinforcement, offering inmates more of the freedoms that those on the outside enjoy as they demonstrate that they are prepared to handle the responsibilities of upright citizens. Although there are risks to this approach, the evidence from countries like the Netherlands, Norway, and Germany is that the benefits outweigh the costs and can be successfully managed. Subramanian and Shames, *Sentencing and Prison Practices*.

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Record,” *American Journal of Sociology* 108 (2003): 959; Devah Pager, Bruce Western, and Bart Bonikowski, “Discrimination in a Low-Wage Labor Market: A Field Experiment,” *American Sociological Review* 74 (2009): 785–86.

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280 Unfortunately, in the intervening decades: *In re Devon T.*, 584 A.2d at 1292.

281 In response to the failure of our: David DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives for Justice-Involved Individuals with Severe Mental Illness: Diversion, Problem-Solving Courts, and Reentry,” *Journal of Criminal Justice* 41 (2013): 64.

281 One of the most notable developments: DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 66; David DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models for Clients Diverted or Mandated into Drug Treatment,” in *Addictions: A Comprehensive Guidebook*, eds. Barbara S. McCrady and Elizabeth E. Epstein, ed. 2 (New York: Oxford University Press, 2013), 553. It is important to note that there are a number of community-based alternatives that may divert the offender from the normal criminal justice process at various points along the way, from the moment that he encounters law enforcement to just before trial to the time he is about to be released. DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 65. For example, a police officer encountering an individual who has committed a low-level offense could divert that person toward mental-health treatment instead of arresting him. DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 65. As with problem-solving courts, research suggests that officers specifically trained in handling those with mental illness and in making use of community behavioral health services enjoy better outcomes. DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 66; H. Steadman and M. Naples, “Assessing the Effectiveness of Jail Diversion Programs for Persons with Serious Mental Illness and Co-Occurring Substance Use Disorders,” *Behavioral Sciences and the Law* 23 (2005): 163–70.

281 The underlying theory is that you cannot: There has been a realization, for example, that drugs play a special role in shaping crime and any corrections approach that ignores that role is doomed to failure. Four out of five of those locked up at the state and federal level are there for a substance-abuse-related offense—using or selling, committing a crime to get money in order to buy, under the influence while acting—or have a clear history of alcohol or drug problems. DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 551. Drugs are implicated in roughly half of all violent crimes and domestic abuse crimes. DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 551. And those who have previously abused drugs are not only more likely to use drugs in the future but also more likely to be rearrested: at the state level, 95 percent of inmates with drug histories return to using within three years and 68 percent are rearrested. DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 552; Steven S. Martin et. al., “Three-Year Outcomes of Therapeutic Community Treatment for Drug Involved Offenders in Delaware,” *Prison Journal* 79 (1999): 194–320; Patrick A. Langan and David J. Levin, U.S. Department of Justice, *Recidivism of Prisoners Released in 1994* (Washington, DC: Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2002), <http://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/rpr94.pdf>; DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 65.

Problem-solving courts don’t ignore these realities; they accept and address them. Indeed, one of the underlying motivations for problem-solving courts is the notion that social science should be employed to understand how legal rules and processes actually impact the well-being of those who come under its command. DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 555; Christopher Slobogin, “Therapeutic Jurisprudence: Five Dilemmas to Ponder,” *Psychology, Public Policy, and Law* 1 (1995): 193–219.

281 So, rather than acting as adversaries: DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 67; DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 556. The role of the prosecutor may present the greatest shift: unlike in a traditional criminal law case, the prosecutor in a problem-solving court is not focused on high conviction rates and harsh sentences. DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 556; Elaine M. Wolf, “Systemic Constraints on the Implementation of a Northeastern Drug Court,” in *Drug Courts in Theory and in Practice*, ed. James L. Nolan, Jr. (New York: Aldine de Gruyter, 2002), 27–50.

281 Drugs courts, for example: DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 555.

281 Problem-solving courts instead use: DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 555; Michael C. Dorf and Charles Frederick Sabel, “Drug Treatment Courts and Emergent Experimentalist Government,” *Vanderbilt Law Review* 53 (2000): 831–83.

281 Research shows that the more humane: DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 69. That said, some critics have raised concerns that specialty courts lack the procedural rigors to deliver fair and equal justice, while others have suggested that judges and attorneys lack training and expertise in dealing with cases of mental illness, drug abuse, and other specialized problems. Leon Neyfakh, “The Custom Justice of ‘Problem-Solving Courts,’” *Boston Globe*, March 23, 2014, <http://www.bostonglobe.com/ideas/2014/03/22/the-custom-justice-problem-solving-courts/PQJLC758Sgw7qQhiefT6MM/story.html>.

282 Those who come before: DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 68. They also appear more likely to believe that they were treated with dignity. Neyfakh, “The Custom Justice of ‘Problem-Solving Courts.’”

282 Drug courts get similarly high marks: DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 558; C. West Huddleston, Douglas B. Marlowe, and Rachel Casebolt, *Painting the Current Picture: A*

National Report Card on Drug Courts and Other Problem Solving Court Programs in the United States (Alexandria, VA: National Drug Court Initiative, 2008); Douglas B. Marlowe, David S. DeMatteo, and David S. Festinger, “A Sober Assessment of Drug Courts,” *Federal Sentencing Reporter* 16 (2003): 113–28; DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 65. For instance, research suggests that every \$1.00 invested in drug courts brings \$3.36 in benefit to the criminal justice system for higher-risk offenders (and \$2.21 in benefits overall). DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 65.

282 With more than three thousand: Neyfakh, “The Custom Justice of ‘Problem-Solving Courts’”; DeMatteo et al., “Treatment Models,” 553.

282 Yet they still handle only: Although drug courts were first to arrive on the scene, today, they manage only about 5 percent of those who would be eligible to participate in them. DeMatteo “Treatment Models,” 560.

282 And the major question is: One problem with problem-solving courts is that while they do a far better job at understanding and then treating the specific issues underlying an offender’s criminal behavior than the standard incarceration approach, they still rely on overly general classifications and channeling. For instance, a significant number of those who end up before mental-health courts also have serious substance abuse problems that may not be actively treated. DeMatteo et al., “Community-Based Alternatives,” 68. And those who find themselves before drug courts can have very different dependencies, yet they tend to all face the same general protocols. Most importantly, the categories of covered individuals naturally leaves many offenders stuck with the ineffective and cruel status quo.

282 Victims shouldn't be pushed to the side: Paul G. Cassell, "Standing for Victims: They Need Their Own Constitutional Amendment," *Slate*, June 14, 2012, <http://hive.slate.com/hive/how-can-we-fix-constitution/article/standing-for-victims>.

282 It makes little sense that: Cassell, "Standing for Victims."

282 They should be permitted an active role: Cassell, "Standing for Victims."

282 Recent research suggests that such actions: Julie Juola Exline et al., "Forgiveness and Justice: A Research Agenda for Social and Personality Psychology," *Personality and Social Psychology Review* 7, no. 4 (2003): 337–48; Michael Wenzel and Tyler G. Okimoto, "How Acts of Forgiveness Restore a Sense of Justice: Addressing Status/Power and Value Concerns Raised by Transgressions," *European Journal of Social Psychology* 40, no. 3 (2010): 401–17; Charlotte vanOyen Witvliet et al., "Retributive Justice, Restorative Justice, and Forgiveness: An Experimental Psychophysiology Analysis," *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology* 44, no. 1 (2008): 10–25. Some recent research, for instance, suggests that it is a perpetrator's change in moral attitude communicated to the victim that brings a victim satisfaction and closure, not simple punishment. Friederike Funk, Victoria McGeer, and Mario Gollwitzer, "Get the Message: Punishment Is Satisfying If the Transgressor Responds to Its Communicative Intent," *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin* 40, no. 8 (2014): 993–95. Unfortunately, such communication is very rare.

282 In fact, granting forgiveness may provide: Charlotte vanOyen Witvliet, Thomas E. Ludwig, and Kelly L. Vander Laan, "Granting Forgiveness or Harboring Grudges: Implications for Emotion, Physiology, and Health," *Psychological Science* 12, no. 2 (2001): 117–23; Witvliet et al., "Retributive Justice, Restorative Justice, and Forgiveness," 10–25; Giacomo Bono, Michael E. McCullough, and Lindsey M. Root, "Forgiveness, Feeling Connected to Others, and

Well-Being: Two Longitudinal Studies,” *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin* 34, no. 2 (2008): 182–95.

283 A single death-penalty case: Amnesty International, “Death Penalty Cost,” accessed May 27, 2014, <http://www.amnestyusa.org/our-work/issues/death-penalty/us-death-penalty-facts/death-penalty-cost>; National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty, “Cost,” accessed May 27, 2014, <http://www.ncadp.org/pages/cost>.

283 The average cost of housing an inmate: Sal Rodriguez, *Fact Sheet: The High Cost of Solitary Confinement* (Washington, DC: Solitary Watch, 2011), <http://solitarywatch.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/fact-sheet-the-high-cost-of-solitary-confinement.pdf>.

284 In only 5 to 10 percent of all: Innocence Project, *Reevaluating Lineups: Why Witnesses Make Mistakes and How to Reduce the Chance of a Misidentification* (New York: Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University), http://www.innocenceproject.org/docs/Eyewitness_ID_Report.pdf.

285 And yet we convince ourselves: J. D. Gowdy, “The Bill of Rights and James Madison’s Statesmanship,” *The Washington, Jefferson, and Madison Institute* (blog), June 9, 2013, <http://wjmi.blogspot.com/2013/06/the-bill-of-rights-and-james-madisons.html>.

285 Why should law be different: Imagine if we possessed the knowledge to light houses with electricity, make walls that didn’t crack in earthquakes, and produce hot running water whenever we liked, but were told that such innovations were ill-advised because our dark and cold, wood slat houses had worked well enough (surprisingly, well, even) for the previous two hundred and fifty years. Would we accept that? Would we sit idly by, shivering in candlelight awaiting “the big one”? No—we would push ahead. It is true: not every building design innovation has been

successful (indeed, some have resulted in injuries or even deaths) and many core construction principles have lasted for decades if not centuries, but we have not resisted or feared progress.

285 In Montgomery, Alabama: Melissa Block, “Theodore Parker and the ‘Moral Universe,’” NPR, September 2, 2010, <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=129609461>.

285 And ten years ago: *Roper v. Simmons*, 543 U.S. 551 (2005).

286 It disappeared because: Peter T. Leeson, “Ordeals,” *Journal of Law and Economics* 55 (August 2012): 709-11; Robert Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water: The Medieval Judicial Order*, (New York: Oxford University Press, 1986), 80. In the early years of the thirteenth century, Pope Innocent III launched a wide-reaching effort to eradicate ordeals—with the Fourth Lateran Council banning priests from continuing to participate in them—largely on the grounds that they were uncanonical and violated the Christian dictate not to tempt the Lord. Leeson, “Ordeals,” 709-11; Bartlett, *Trial by Fire and Water*, 80. With the religious backbone removed, the practice within secular judicial systems collapsed—in some places, like Denmark and England, following formal prohibitions and in other places, like France, as a matter of informal acceptance. Leeson, “Ordeals,” 709–11. By 1300, in most of Europe, the pools had dried up and the irons had cooled. Robert Palmer, “Trial by Ordeal,” *Michigan Law Review* 87 (1989): 1547, 1554.

286 And what replaced the ordeal: Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 3-4; Palmer, “Trial by Ordeal,” 1547, 1554. The trial by cold water, for instance, involved no significant physical harm, while even the person deemed innocent through judicial torture suffered immensely. Just as critically, there is reason to think that ordeals might very well have been more effective than torture at sorting the innocent from the guilty. One scholar has suggested that in a population that believed fervently in God’s power to intervene in man’s affairs, those who were guilty and those who were innocent would both have expected to be revealed as such during the

ordeal. Leeson, “Ordeals,” 691. So, the guilty were inclined to admit to their crimes to avoid suffering the ordeal *as well as the punishment* and, knowing that those who elected to undergo the ordeal would tend to be innocent, priests could manipulate the outcome toward exoneration by allowing a burning iron to cool or determining that a person had sunk to a sufficient distance in water. Leeson, “Ordeals,” 691. By contrast, with judicial torture, both the innocent and guilty parties faced the same calculation and optimal strategy: refuse to confess and hope that you were freed before the pain simply became too unbearable or, if the prospect of torture was worse than death, confess before proceedings began. As a result, the sorting effect of judicial torture was not between the upright citizen and the criminal, but between the extremely pain-tolerant and the extremely pain-sensitive. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 7. And the seemingly robust checks built into the system to ensure that only parties who were very likely guilty were tortured and that confessions were true and voluntary turned out to be hopelessly ineffective. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 7. Although a party had the ability to recant a confession as part of the required hearing after an admission of guilt under torture, if that happened, the person would be sent back to be examined under torture again. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 7, 14. Furthermore, suspects undergoing interrogation often learned of facts about the crime inadvertently from those conducting the interrogation, jailers, and others—a problem that continues to plague our system today. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 7.

286 For roughly the next half millennium: Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 4, 12. In Continental Europe, judicial torture was routinely administered and widely accepted. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 3.

286 Like us, they constructed: Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 5. A threshold akin to “probable cause” had to exist before torture could be ordered and, as detailed in contemporary

treatises meant to guide judges, clerks, and other court actors, specific protocols had to be followed, such as ensuring that the questioning dealt with topics of which only the accused would know and barring suggestive questioning by the examining magistrate. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 5, 7. Likewise, any confession under torture had to be affirmed subsequently without torture and investigators were charged with confirming factual details elicited through torture (e.g., officials were meant to verify the disclosed location of the murder weapon to ensure that the accused’s statements were true). Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 5, 7. This was not brutality for brutality’s sake: this seemed to be the just and ordered system, based in reason, that had evaded those who had relied on godly intervention to reveal innocence through supernatural miracles.

286 And what sets us apart: There is, indeed, an odd parallel between our modern mechanism of plea bargaining and the tortured confessions of many centuries ago. Langbein “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 12. Both seemingly short-circuit core legal principles that purportedly guide our criminal justice system, including transparency, shared adjudicatory responsibility and participation, freedom from coercion, and proof of guilt as a prerequisite to punishment. Langbein “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 18. The modern prosecutor deciding to offer a plea agreement enjoys an incredible amount of discretion and scope of power, in some ways more akin to the medieval magistrate—as accuser, investigator, and sanctioner, all in one—than to the modern trial judge, limited largely in his presiding role and constrained by precedent and statutory guidelines. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 18. And the contemporary prosecutor oversees a process that is unequivocally coercive: “admit your guilt or we will break your bones” is not so fundamentally different from “admit your guilt or we will seek the death penalty or nail you with life in prison without the possibility of parole.” Langbein, “Torture and

Plea Bargaining,” 12. Perhaps most critically, it is hard to see clear progress toward a world in which only people who have been proven guilty with objective evidence are subjected to punishment, when, in 90 to 95 percent of cases in the United States today, there is no trial at all and the sole trigger for punishment is—just as it was with judicial torture—an admission of guilt by the accused. Langbein, “Torture and Plea Bargaining,” 12–13.

286 It would have taken an exceptional person: John F. Benton, ed., *Self and Society in Medieval France: The Memoirs of Abbot Gilbert of Nogent* (New York: Harper Torchbacks, 1970), 212–14.