Tips for an Effective Voir Dire

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Scope of Voir Dire

- 1. Proof of statutory elements.
- 2. Relationship to party.
- 3. Lawsuit or insurance crisis.
- 4. Bias or prejudice against type of lawsuit.
- 5. Bias for or against party due to nationality, wealth or status.

Scope of Voir Dire

- 6. Party's own insurance.
- 7. Bias or prejudice against party.
- 8. Ability to award certain sum of money if supported by evidence.
- 9. Acquaintance with witnesses
- 10. Relationship with organization to which attorney belongs.

Scope of Voir Dire

- 11. Bias against use of intoxicants.
- 12. Representation by other attorney.
- 13. Financial interest in litigation.
- 14. Relationship with other attorney.

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