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## TIPS FOR MORE EFFECTIVE TESTIMONY IN THE COURTROOM

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1. **Knowing the difference between when I am a LAY witness versus an EXPERT witness. A brief review of Alabama Rules of Evidence that govern your testimony. Why your current curriculum vitae (“CV”) matters to the court.**
2. **“Staying in your lane” as a social work witness. How to NOT trigger an objection for defense counsel.**
3. **Live demonstration of voir dire of social worker expert witness.**
4. **What is involved in proper court preparation? When and Where to talk to the GAL- from the point of view of the GAL and the therapist involved in the case when it comes to your testimony. .**
3. **Understanding Court Documents you receive:**
  - A. **Your Subpoena**
  - B. **Subpoena Duces Tecum**
  - C. **Responding to a Subpoena**
  - D. **Motion to Quash**
  - E. **Protective Order**
  - F. **Foundational Documents to the Case (Petition, Answers, Amended Petition, Exhibits, etc.)**

