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ASK THE JURIST: TALES FROM THE BENCH

Hon. Marsha Harlan
Ryan O'Neil
Adele Alexis Harris

Kate Weaver, Moderator



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Welcome to our annual panel where you get to ask jurists who preside over child support proceedings your questions. This year, we are pleased to have a local referee, a tribal judge, and a retired hearing officer from New Jersey. Come prepared to ask questions about the judicial decision-making process, or to express your concerns to the jurists present. We only ask that your question be respectful, and any criticism be constructive.



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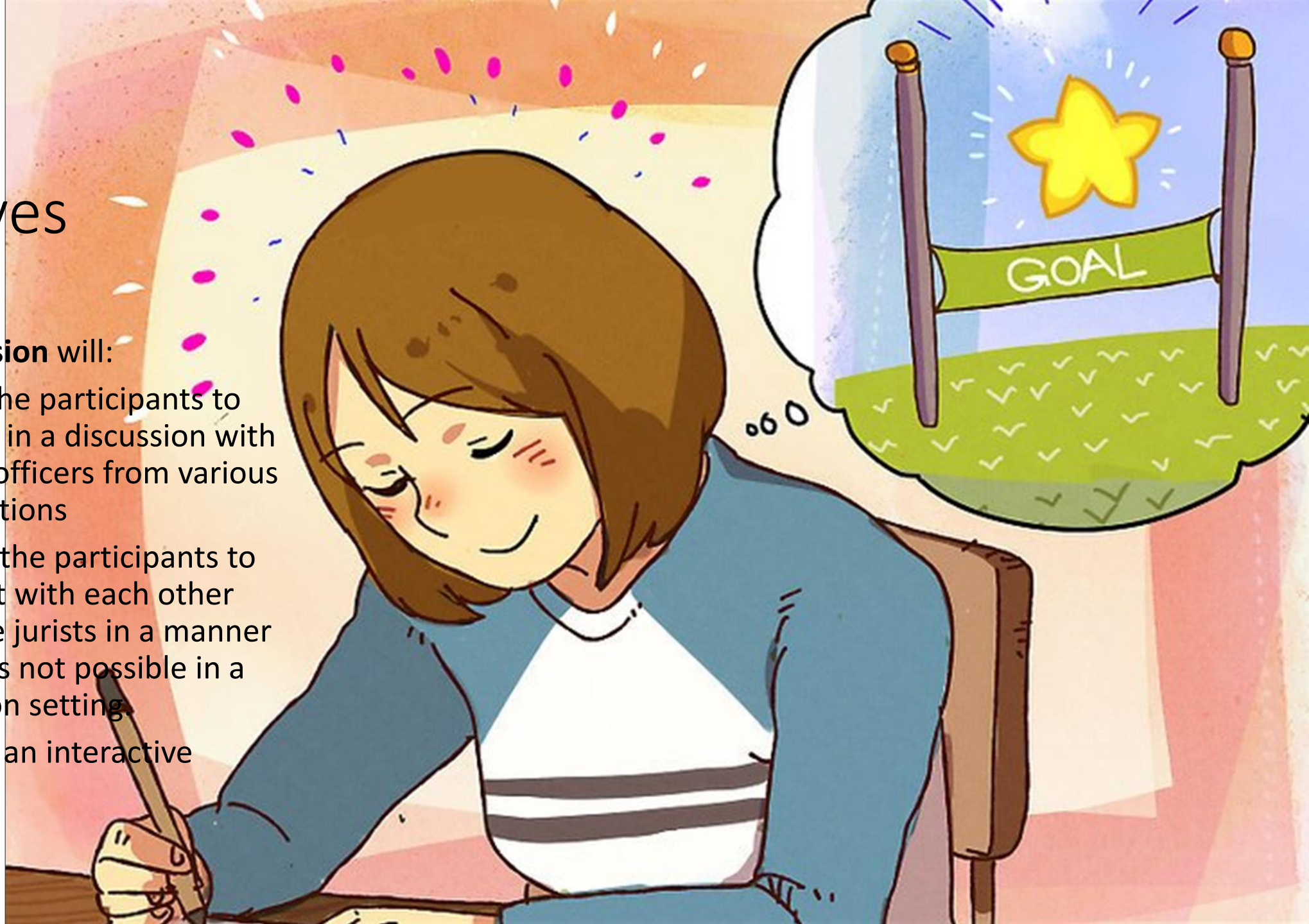
This Year's Moderator: Kate Weaver

- This is a CLE session.
 - Make sure to **sign IN**
 - Make sure to **sign OUT**
- Don't forget to complete the evaluation at the end of the session.
- Please set your phones on silent or vibrate
- All materials are available on the conference app. We want this to be an interactive session **JOIN THE CONVERSATION**



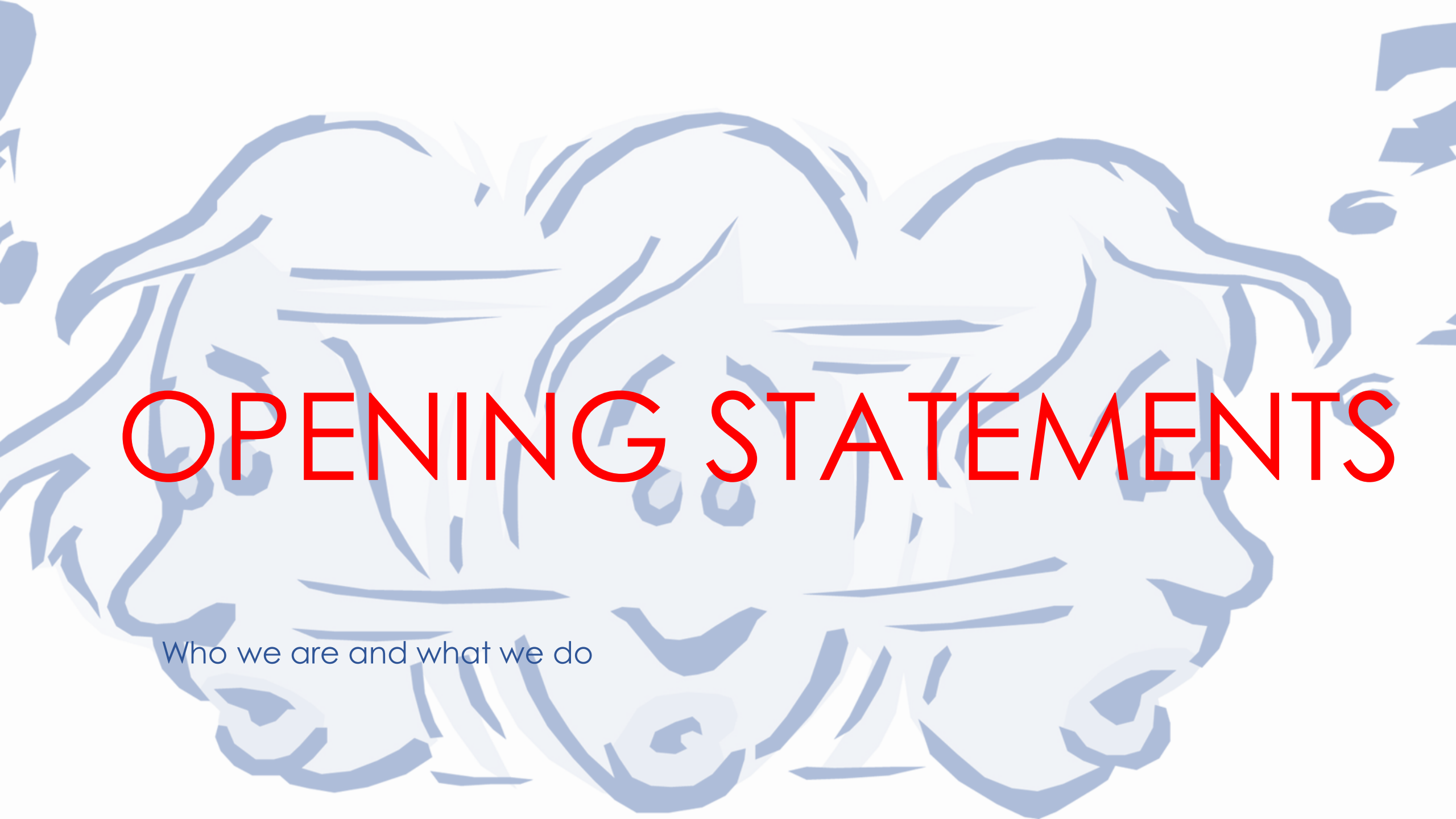
Session objectives

- This **CLE Session** will:
 - Allow the participants to engage in a discussion with bench officers from various jurisdictions
 - Permit the participants to interact with each other and the jurists in a manner which is not possible in a litigation setting.
 - Will be an interactive session



Session Methodology

- The workshop is divided into six sections.
- During each section, your moderator will ask the panel of jurists a question or two.
- Your moderator will then ask the audience for questions.
- We ask that any audience question be within the topic for that section.
- The moderator will determine when to move onto the next segment.
- **This is meant to be an interactive session. Please join in and ask your questions. We only ask that everyone remain respectful**



OPENING STATEMENTS

Who we are and what we do



LET'S GET ON THE SAME PAGE

Definitions and usages in our jurisdictions

Setting the Tone

Managing the Courtroom . . .
and expectations



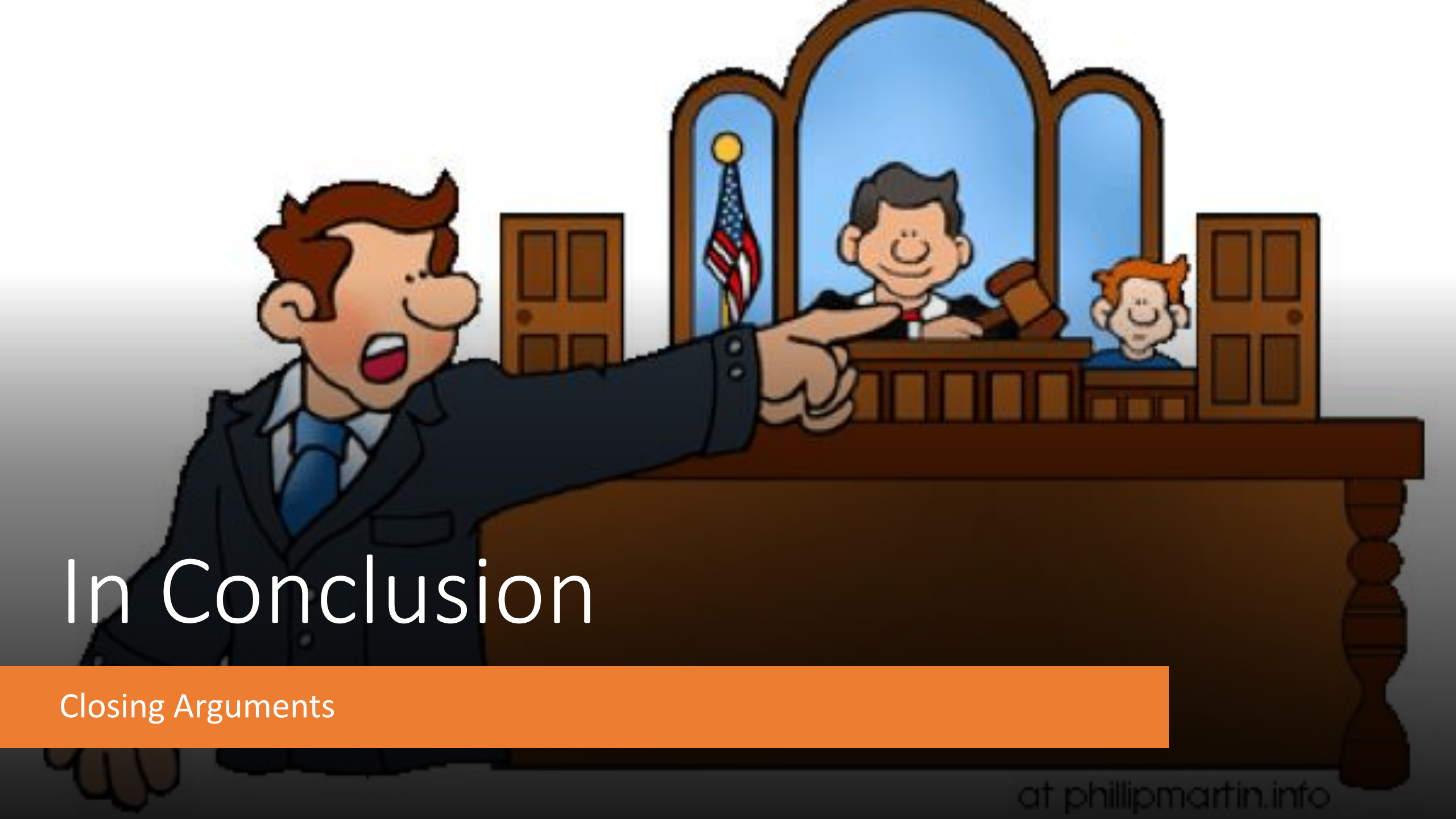
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- New
Developments
in Our
Jurisdictions . . .
And How We
Respond To
Them



The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly



A cartoon illustration of a courtroom scene. In the foreground, a man with brown hair, wearing a dark suit and blue tie, is pointing his right index finger towards the judge. He has a wide, open-mouthed smile. Behind him is a large wooden bench. In the background, a judge with dark hair, wearing a black robe and a red tie, sits on a raised platform. To the left of the judge is an American flag. To the right of the judge is a man with red hair, wearing a blue shirt, who is also smiling. The judge is holding a wooden gavel. The background features three arched windows and two wooden doors.

In Conclusion

Closing Arguments

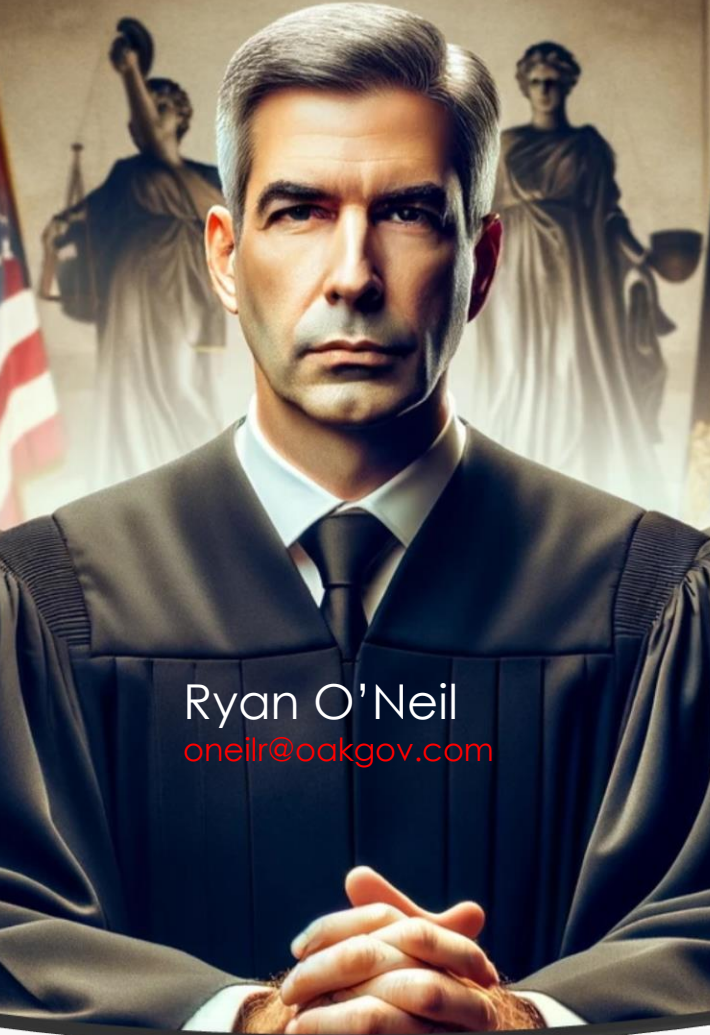
Moderator

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