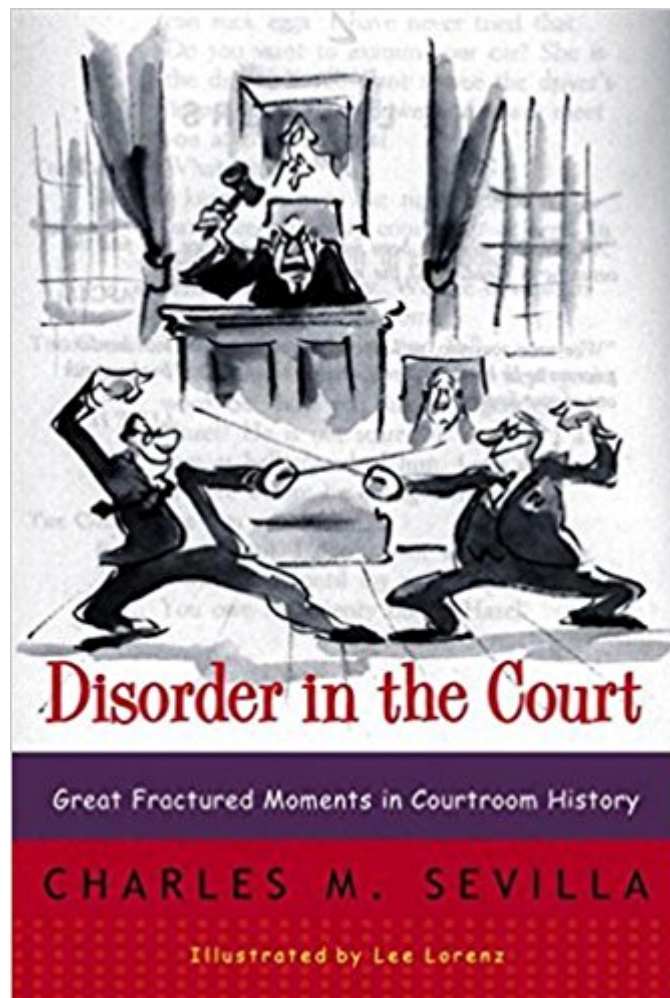




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In America's courtrooms, the verdict is laughter. Sit back and enjoy a collection of verbatim exchanges from the halls of justice, where defendants and plaintiffs, lawyers and witnesses, juries and judges, collide to produce memorably insane comedy.

A: You mumbled on the first part of that and I couldn't understand what you were saying. Could you repeat the question?

Q: I mumbled, did I? Well, we'll just ask the court reporter to read back what I said. She didn't indicate any problem understanding what I said, so obviously she understood every word. We'll just have her read my question back and find out if there was any mumbling going on. Madam reporter, would you be so kind?

Â Court Reporter: Mumble, mumble, mumble, mumble, mumble.

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Here are some samples from the book:

ATTORNEY: What is your date of birth?

WITNESS: July 18th.

ATTORNEY: What year?

WITNESS: Every year. _____

ATTORNEY: How old is your son, the one living with you?

WITNESS: Thirty-eight or thirty-five, I can't remember which.

ATTORNEY: How long has he lived with you?

WITNESS: Forty-five years. _____

ATTORNEY: What was the first thing your husband said to you that morning?

WITNESS: He said, "Where am I, Cathy?"

ATTORNEY: And why

did that upset you? WITNESS: My name is

Susan. _____ ATTORNEY: Now doctor, isn't it true that

when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning? WITNESS: Did you

actually pass the bar exam? _____ ATTORNEY: The

youngest son, the twenty-one-year-old, how old is he? WITNESS: Uh, he's

twenty-one _____ ATTORNEY: Were you present when

your picture was taken? WITNESS: Would you repeat the

question? _____ ATTORNEY: So the date of conception

(of the baby) was August 8th? WITNESS: Yes.

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