

True Testimony!

Court Reporters can hear anything! Sometimes it's sad, sometimes it's very educational, sometimes it's shocking, and sometimes it's hard to refrain from laughing:

An attorney asking an officer about designations of weather on an accident report he had filled out:

Q. All right. When you're asked to make an observation about the weather, can you choose fog if fog is a factor or fog is a condition, in your mind?

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Q. What is your brother-in-law's name?

A. Borofkin.

Q. What's his first name?

A. I can't remember.

Q. He's been our brother-in-law for 45 years, and you can't remember his first name?

A. No. I tell you, I'm too excited. (Rising from the witness chair and pointing to Mr. Borofkin:) Nathan, for Pete's sake, tell them your first name!

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Q. What happened then?

A. I woke up unconscious in the hospital.

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Q. Did the lady standing in the driveway subsequently identify herself to you?

A. Yes, she did.

Q. Who did she say she was?

A. She said she was the owner of the dog's wife.

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Q. Where do you live?

A. 2442 Oseawotamie Street.

The Reporter: How do you spell that street?

The Witness: S-t-r-e-e-t.

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Q. Who was Mr. Harold Long, or is Mr. Harold Long?

A. Which one do you want me to answer first?

Q. Well, is he an "is" or is he a "was"?

A. He was an "is" and now he is a "was."

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The witness, a detective assigned to the Auto Squad, was being cross-examined on various ways of starting cars other than with ignition keys.

Q. Now, you told us about your expertise with regard to cars; is that correct?

A. What extra keys? I didn't have no extra keys.

Q. Expertise.

A. I didn't have none.

Q. Now, Dr. Smith, isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning?

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Q. The youngest son, the twenty-year-old, how old is he?

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Q. She had three children, right?

A. Yes.

Q. How many were boys?

A. None.

Q. Were there any girls?

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Q. Doctor, how many autopsies have you performed on dead people?

A. All my autopsies are performed on dead people.

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Q. All your responses must be oral, okay? What school did you go to?

A. Oral.

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Q. Are you qualified to give a urine sample?

A. I have been since early childhood.

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Judge: The charge here is theft of frozen chickens. Are you the defendant?

Defendant: No, sir. I'm the guy who stole the chickens.

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Q. Tell us about the fight.

A. I didn't see no fight.

Q. Well, tell us what you did see.

A. I went to a dance at the community center, and as the men swung around and changed partners, they would slap each other, and one fellow hit harder than the other one liked, and so the other one hit back, and then somebody pulled a knife and a rifle that had been hidden there, and the air was filled with yelling and smoke and bullets.

Q. Were you also shot in the fracas?

A. No, sir, I was shot midway between the fracas and the navel.

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Q. Tell what happened to the judge.

A. Why, did something happen to the judge?

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Q. How was your first marriage terminated?

A. By death.

Q. By whose death was it terminated?

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Q. You say she called you some names. What names did she call you?

A. Too dirty to say in front of human beings.

Q. Well, say them in front of the court reporter.

A. Well, she called me . . .