

DUTY OF JURY

- Determine the facts from the evidence
- Follow the law as instructed
- Decide the credibility of the witnesses
- Keep an open mind until deliberations
- Render a fair and impartial verdict based only on the evidence and the law

NOT EVIDENCE/NOT TO BE CONSIDERED

- Statements, arguments and questions by lawyers
- Objections to questions
- Excluded testimony
- Anything outside of courtroom

TWO KINDS OF EVIDENCE

- Direct
- Circumstantial

BURDEN OF PROOF

Preponderance of the Evidence

The burden of the plaintiff is to establish his/her claims by a preponderance of the evidence as to each element of the claim.

“Preponderance of the evidence” means that the thing sought to be proven is more likely true than not true.

Specific Counts

Transcripts Not Available

Exhibits Will Be Available

Note taking is Permitted

CONDUCT OF THE JURY

- Do not even discuss the case with the other jurors until instructed to begin deliberations
- Do not discuss anything about the case with anyone or let anyone discuss the case in your presence
- Trial is not a popularity contest – do not talk with any participants
- Avoid news reports about the case

- Do not do any research or make any investigation -- Decide the case based only on evidence presented in the courtroom
- No social network postings
- Do not email other members of the jury panel until you are released from jury duty
- Do not tell anyone you are serving as a juror on this case

