



Substance Abuse Task Force Regular Meeting

City Hall, 697 Vista Ave, Page AZ
August 20, 2025 at 5:30 PM

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND AGENDA

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the City of Page Substance Abuse Task Force and the general public that the Page Substance Abuse Task Force will hold a meeting open to the public in Page City Hall located at 697 Vista Avenue, Page, Arizona. Members of the Substance Abuse Task Force will attend either in person or virtually.

1. Call to Order

2. Hear from the Citizens

The public is invited to speak on any item or area of concern. Items presented during the Citizens portion which are not on the agenda, cannot be acted upon by the Substance Abuse Task Force. Individual members are prohibited by the Open Meeting Law from discussing or considering the item among themselves unless the item is officially on an agenda.

3. Roll Call

Camilla Adams, Chair	Ron MacDonald
Brittany Hansen, Vice-Chair	Ricky Cottrell
Michael Barnes	Bunny Cochran
Madison Kavaia	
City Council Liaison, David Auge	

4. Reports/Presentations

- A. Page Magistrate Court Update
- B. Page Police Department Update
- C. Canyonlands Healthcare Update
- D. Catholic Charities Update
- E. Encompass Health Update

5. Unfinished Business

- A. Discussion and Possible Action Pertaining to Community Outreach (Events, Freshmen Focus, and Matforce)
- B. Discussion and Possible Action Pertaining to Local Businesses that Sell Alcohol and Strategies to Address the Problem.

6. New Business

- A. Discussion and Possible Action Pertaining to Changing the Name of the Substance Abuse Task Force.

7. Adjourn

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Next Regular Meeting Wednesday, _____, at 5:30 p.m.

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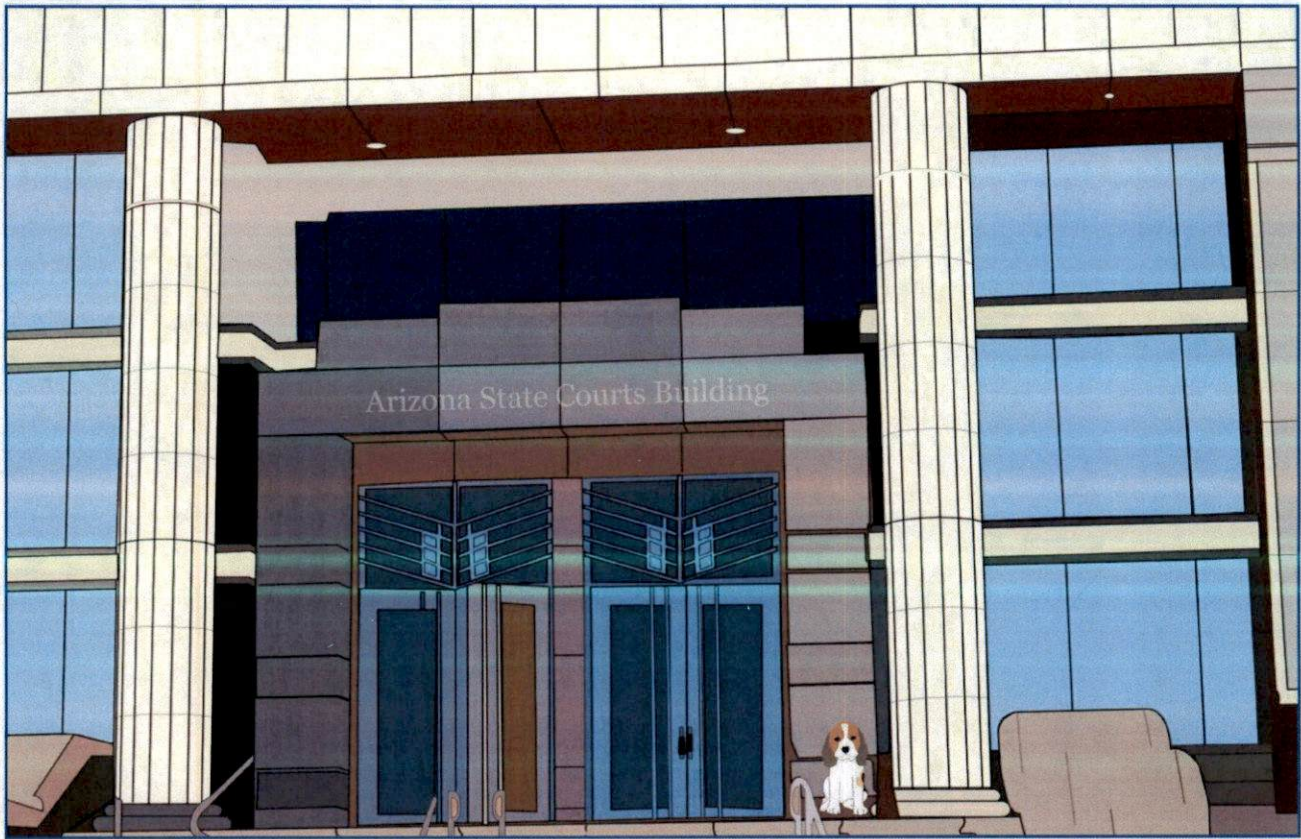
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DISCLAIMER: Agenda Items may be taken out of order. This agenda may be subject to change up to 24 hours prior to the meeting. Please see the local crier boards or our website at cityofpage.org for the current agenda.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the attached notice was duly posted at the following places: City Hall Bulletin Board located at 697 Vista Avenue, Page, Arizona; Justice Building Bulletin Board located at 547 Vista Avenue, Page, Arizona; U. S. Post Office Lobby located at 44 Sixth Avenue, Page, Arizona, on the ____ day of _____, 20 __, at _____ a.m./p.m.

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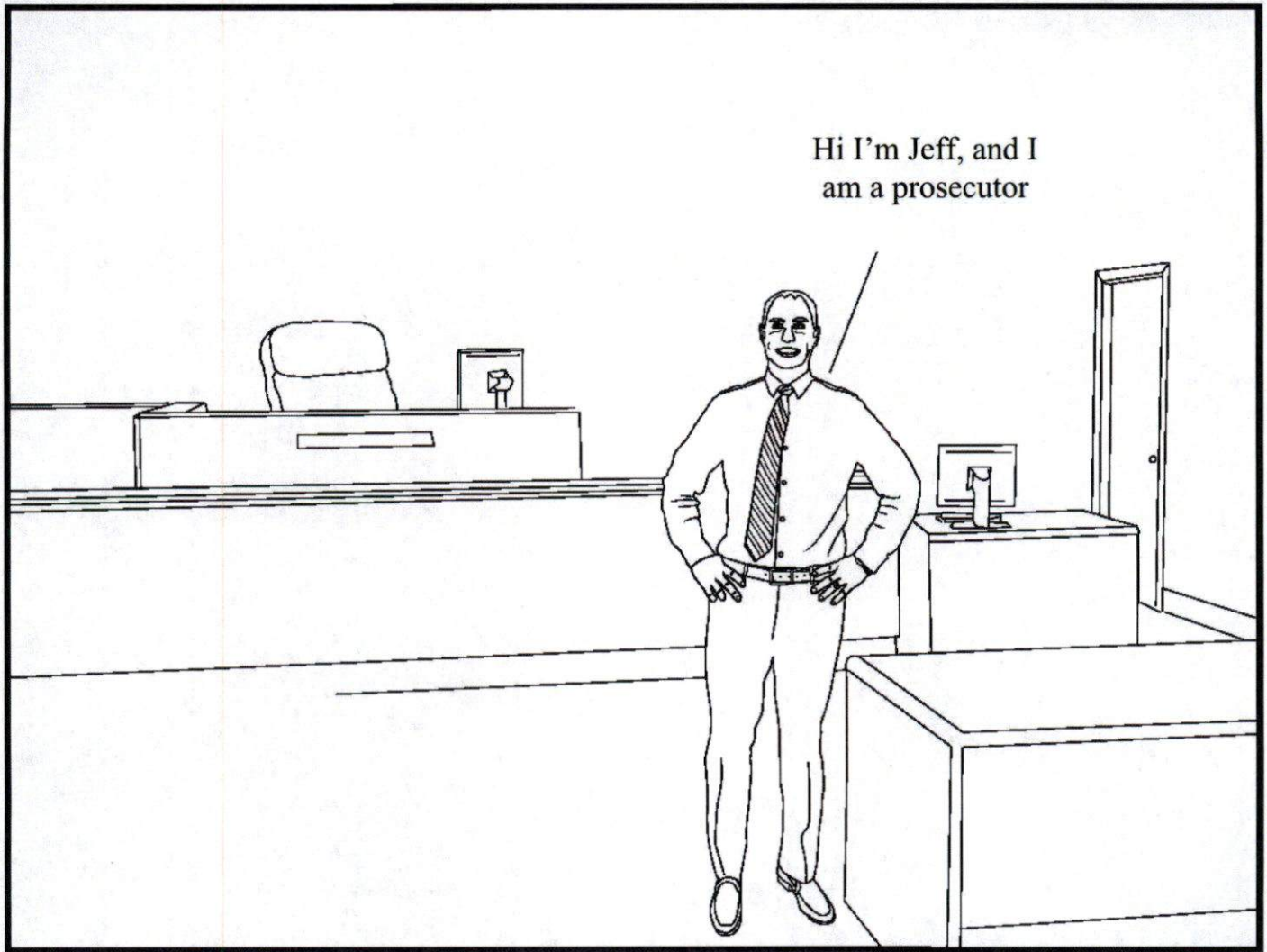


Little Legal Beagle

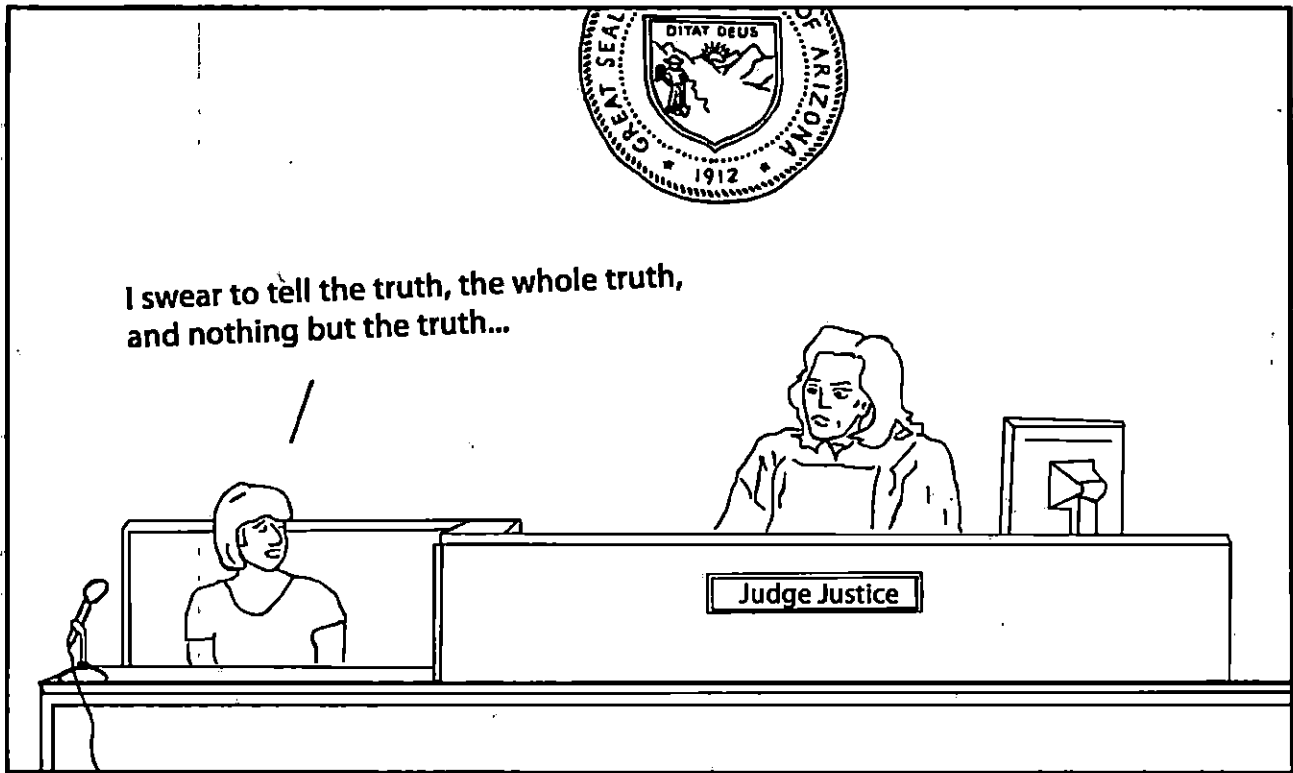
Kids' Guide to Court



Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council



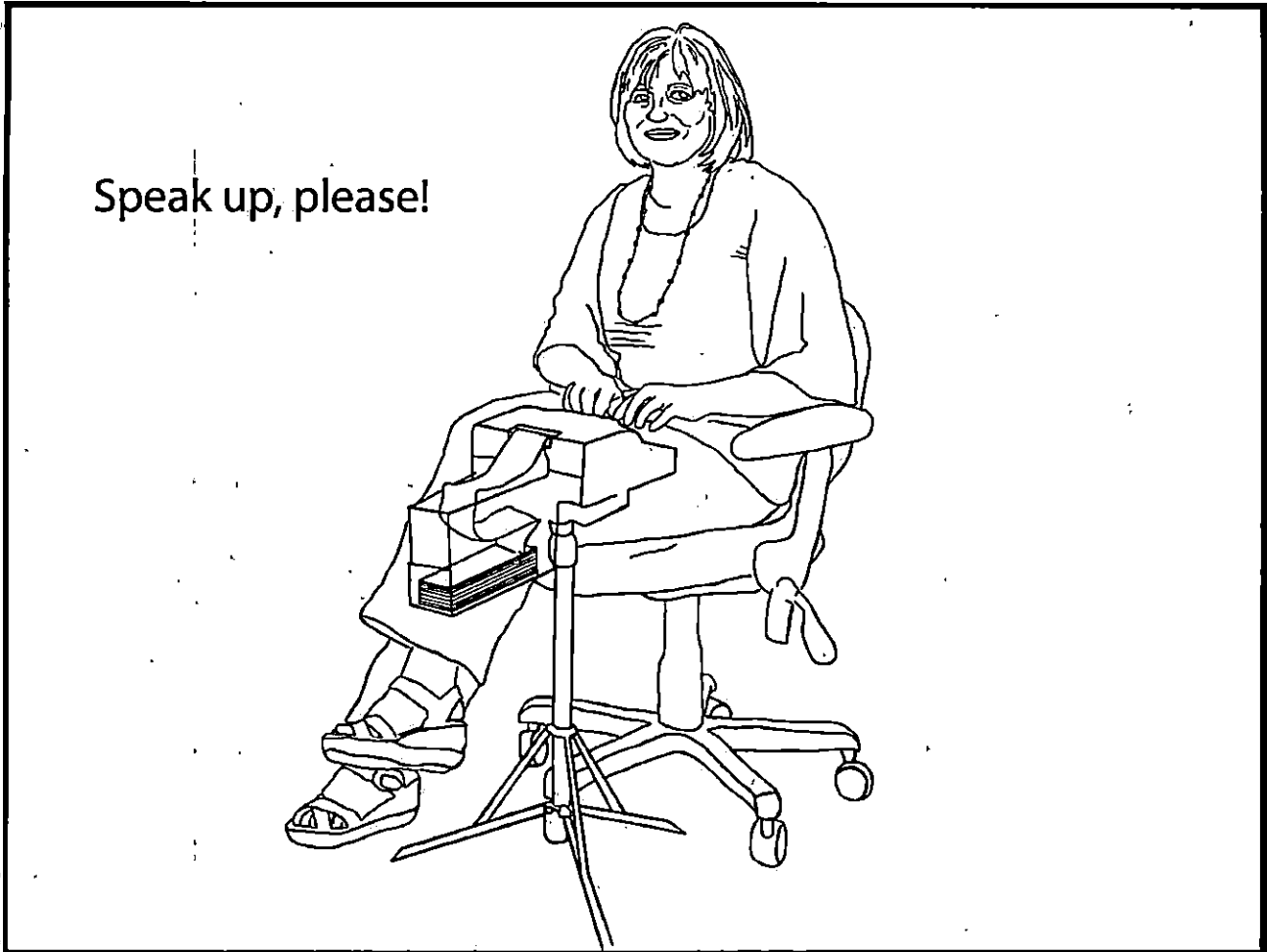
A prosecutor is someone who helps people testify in court. If you are a witness, the prosecutor will ask questions to help you tell your story. If you ever have a question or feel uncomfortable, you should talk to the prosecutor assigned to your case.



A witness is a person who saw, heard, or experienced something. To testify, all a witness has to do is tell the truth. The prosecutor's job is to help witnesses by asking questions about what they know. Defense attorneys will ask questions too. Sometimes even the judge will ask a witness questions to help understand what happened.

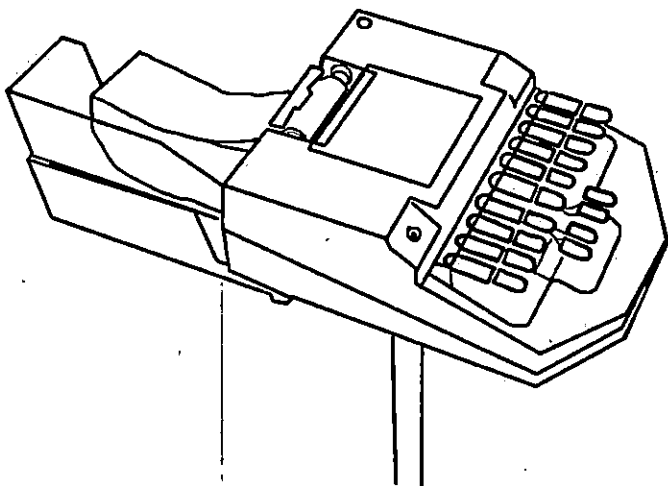


Anyone can be a witness. Even kids!



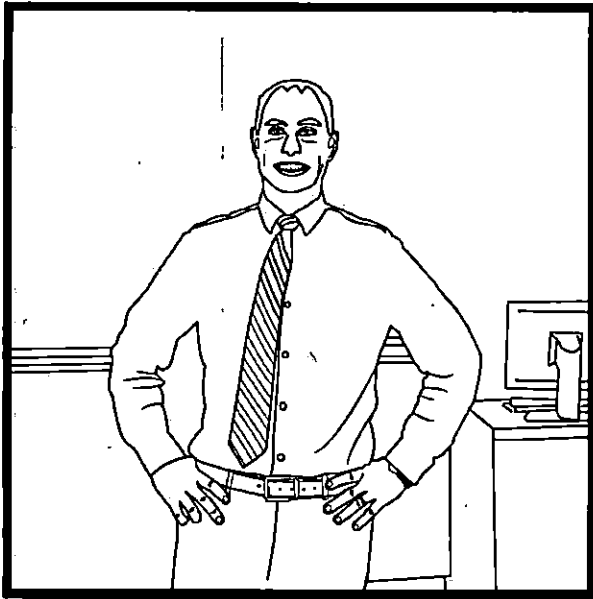
Speak up, please!

If you're a witness, remember to speak loud and clear so the court reporter can hear you. Always say "yes" or "no," instead of nodding or shaking your head.

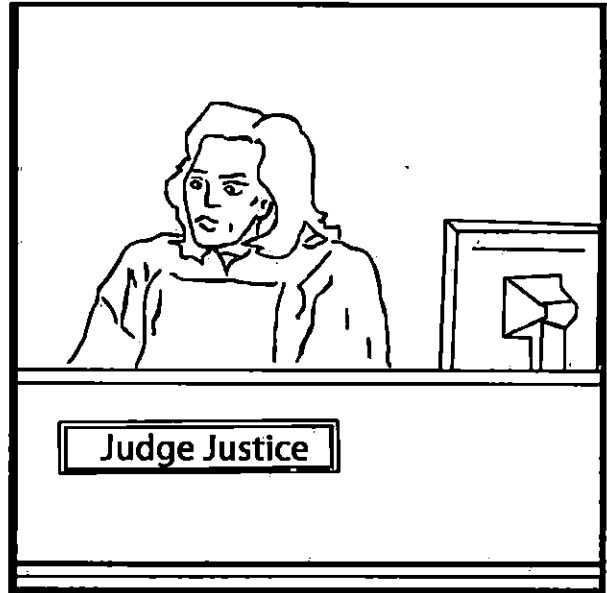


Court reporters use a special typewriter to write down everything they hear in court.

Who's asking the questions here!?



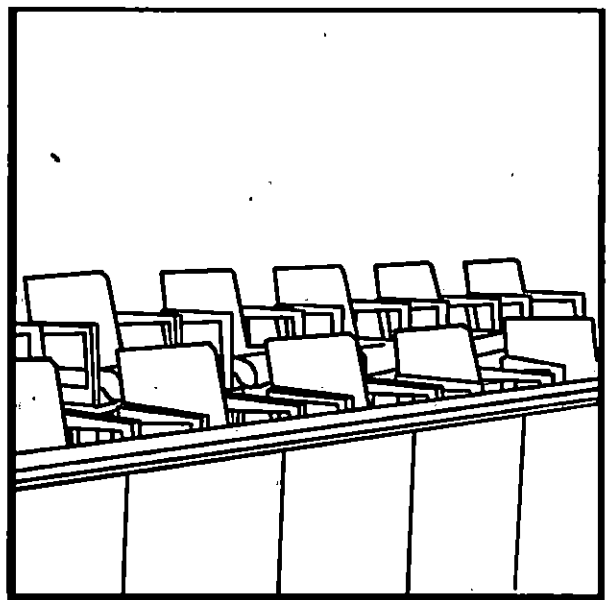
The prosecutor usually asks questions first.



The judge may ask if something is confusing.

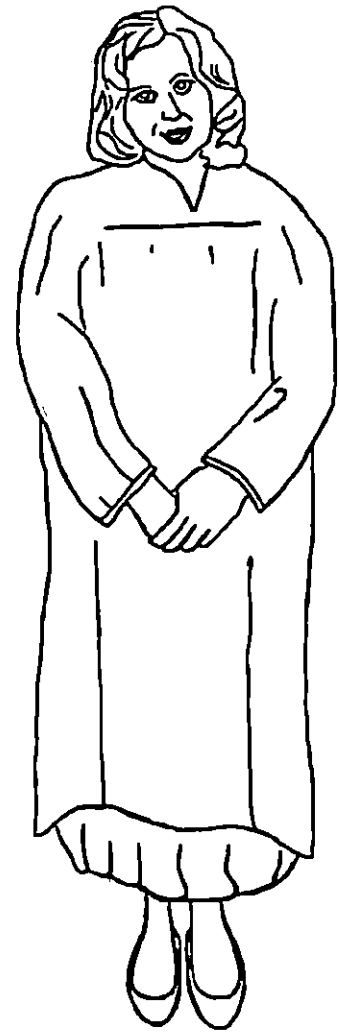


After the prosecutor, the defense attorney may ask questions too.



If the jury still has questions at the end, they'll ask.

Even though the judge asks questions sometimes, her main job is to listen and make sure everyone follows the rules – like a referee. The judge will wear black robes, to show that she's in charge.



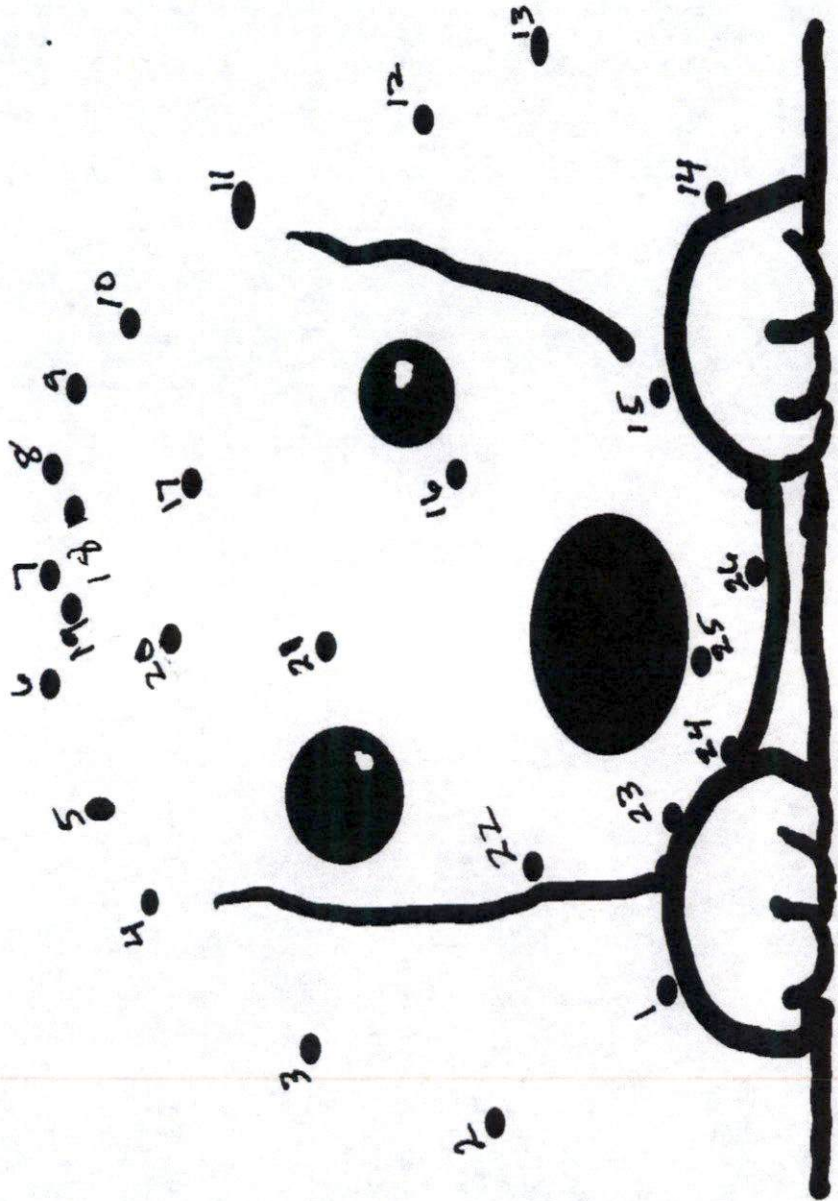
Sometimes, the judge will have a clerk to take notes and help with evidence.

A "Deputy" or "Bailiff" is a special police officer who works for the court. The Deputy's job is to keep everyone safe while they're at court.

Sometimes the Deputy will be inside the courtroom, and sometimes the Deputy will wait nearby until the judge calls him.



C-O-N-N-E-C-T the Dots!

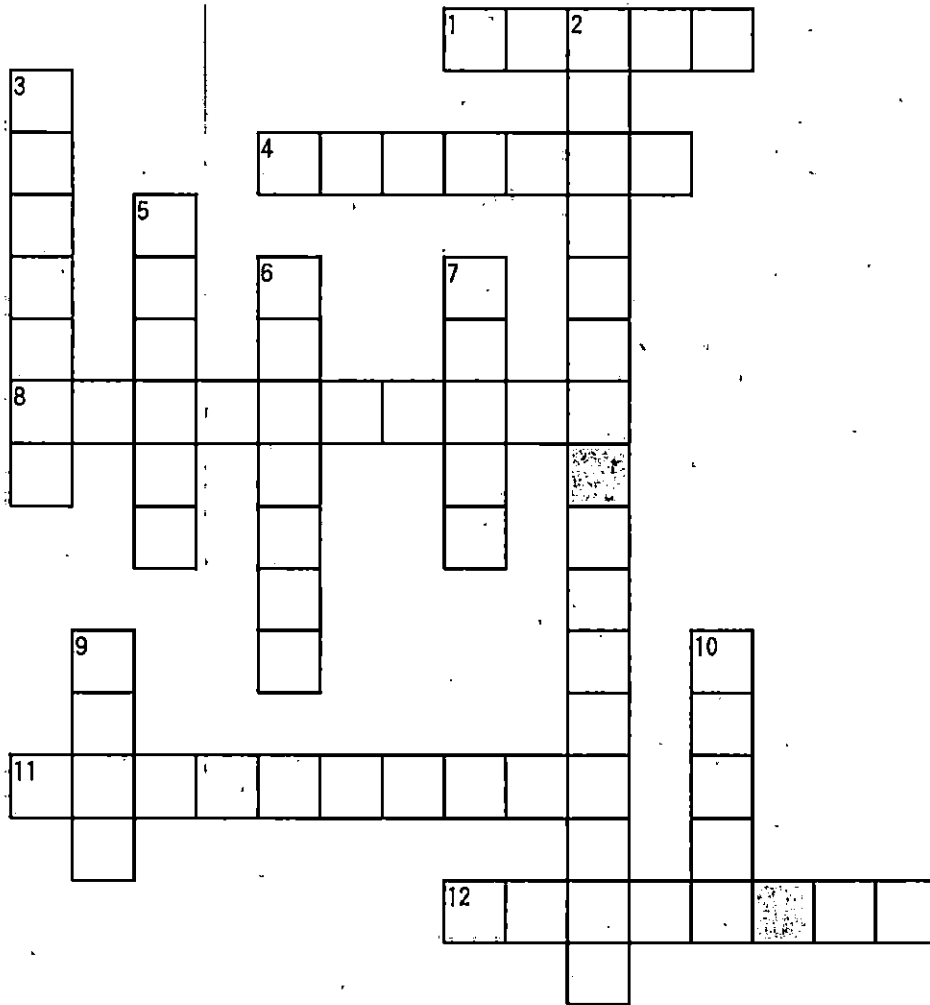
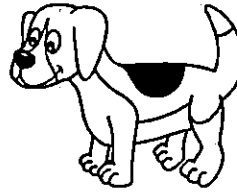


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 Witness
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1. The boss of the courtroom
4. What a witness does
8. Where trials are held
11. Asks questions to help witnesses
12. What the court reporter asks

Down

2. Lawyer for the defendant
3. The decision of the jury
5. A special police officer
6. Someone who knows something
7. What every witness must tell
9. Regular people who decide a case
10. A person who helps with evidence

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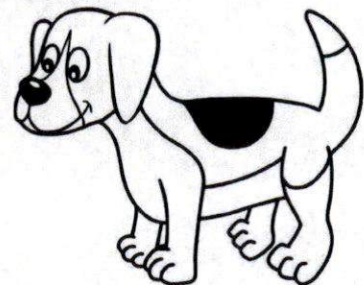
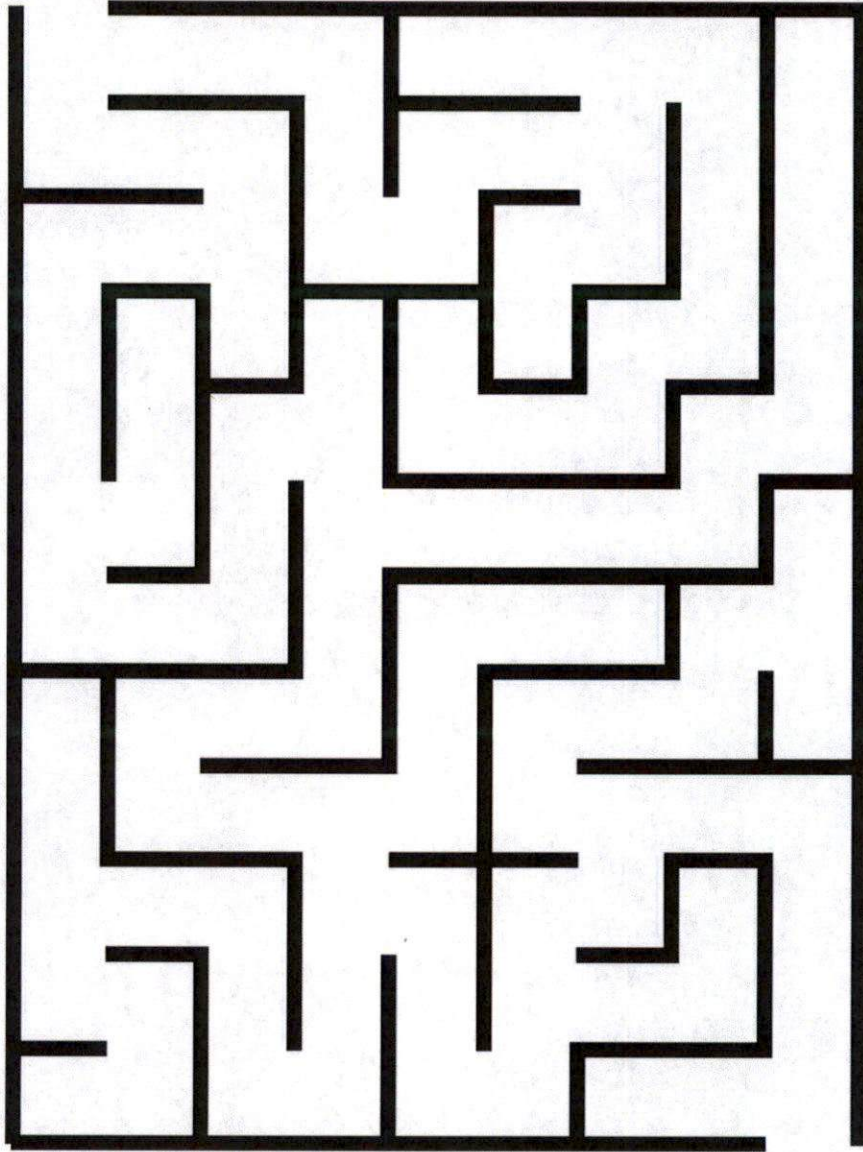
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Help Little Legal Beagle
find the way to court!



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Problem Statement:

Minors are consuming alcohol in a city park during lunchtime and after school hours, as reported by Page Police Department (PD). Alcohol is often accessed through older friends or family members, or via theft from the Safeway located adjacent to the park.

CADCA Strategy-Based Response Plan

1. Provide Information (*Strategy: Information*)

- Distribute educational materials to community members, parents, and park visitors about the legal and health consequences of underage drinking.
 - Use social media, school newsletters, and flyers at key locations (schools, park, Safeway) to share information on how to recognize and report underage drinking and adult provision.
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2. Enhance Skills (*Strategy: Skills*)

- Partner with the Arizona Department of Liquor to provide training for local alcohol retailers (e.g., Safeway staff) on how to spot fake IDs, handle suspected underage purchasers, and refuse third-party purchases.
 - Develop training for parents and community members on how to have conversations with youth about alcohol and how to intervene if they witness underage drinking.
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3. Provide Support (*Strategy: Support*)

- Collaborate with Juvenile Probation to implement a diversion program for minors caught with alcohol. Include educational components and peer support systems to reduce recidivism.
 - Encourage youth-serving organizations (after-school programs, sports leagues) to provide pro-social alternatives and mentorship.
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4. Change Access/Barriers (*Strategy: Access/Barriers*)

- Work with Safeway's store manager to secure alcohol displays, increase monitoring of high-risk items, and post visible signage discouraging theft and adult purchases for minors.
 - Conduct regular checks and collaborate with the store to review surveillance footage when incidents are reported.
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5. Change Consequences (*Strategy: Consequences*)

- Partner with law enforcement and park staff to establish consistent, visible deterrence (hotspot patrols) during lunch and after school hours. Focus on non-punitive interactions first, with escalating consequences.
 - Implement a community-based response: involve parents or guardians when minors are caught, and encourage restorative justice approaches (e.g., apology letters, community service).
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6. Change the Physical Design (*Strategy: Physical Design*)

- Assess the park's layout and modify spaces that encourage loitering or concealment (e.g., bushes, unmonitored corners).
 - Increase lighting and visibility in key areas of the park, particularly where drinking has been observed.
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7. Modify/Change Policy (*Strategy: Policy*)

- Review the enforcement and awareness of the current alcohol-free ordinance in the park. Work with the City of Page to ensure signs are visible, up to date, and that community members understand the policy.
 - Explore school district policies on off-campus conduct and work with school officials to engage students in prevention messaging, even without an on-site SRO.
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Potential Barriers:

- Lack of a School Resource Officer (SRO) limits on-campus prevention.
 - Page PD is understaffed, reducing consistent patrols or responses.
 - Minors are referred directly to juvenile probation, with limited diversion or educational follow-up.
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Next Steps:

- Convene a small task force (Parks Dept, PD, Safeway, school staff, parents) to begin coordinated strategy implementation.
- Identify youth leaders to help co-design messaging and serve as ambassadors.
- Track alcohol-related incidents and theft reports to monitor impact.

City of Page
Substance Abuse Task Force
City Hall, 697 Vista Ave.
Page, AZ 86040
November 01, 2024

Circle K
3 N. Lake Powell Blvd.
Page, AZ 86040

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing this letter to address a concern that we have as members of the City of Page Substance Abuse Task Force. We are asking for an immediate change to the location or ease of access to the alcoholic beverage aisle in your store. The current location, near the exits and entrances, makes it very accessible. Additionally, the small containers that are unlocked are an easy target for someone wanting to be discreet and undetected.

Our top priority in asking for this immediate change comes as a direct result of youth in our community and school district openly disclosing that they can shoplift and walk out of the store undetected with alcoholic beverages. We have seen an increase in students accessing alcohol on their lunch breaks or after school and coming back to campus impaired and in some cases incapacitated. This is not limited to school days but has been reported on weekends and in the evenings as well. We are all aware that adolescents may have access to alcohol in other locations, but Circle K comes up repeatedly as a common and easy access point. We are concerned for the health and safety of the youth in our community and the surrounding areas. We know the younger a child begins drinking, the more apt they are to develop dependencies, and it is extremely damaging to their health, and physical and cognitive development.

We have had multiple community members asking us to address this with management at your place of business. These individuals include parents and members of other prominent community organizations. We have added statements from other members of the community at the conclusion of this letter.

In closing, we would also like to extend an invitation for members of your management to attend our next monthly meeting taking place on April 16, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers. There may be assistance that we can offer as a task force to address the needs that we have outlined here. We would like to work together as a task force and as members of the community to come up with solutions to these problems.

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Statistic provided by Page Magistrate Court

From June 1, 2024, to July 31, 2024, 87.5% (42 of 48) of the individuals who provided a breath sample when they were arrested and booked on new charges into the Page facility of the Coconino County Detention Center with cases in the Page Magistrate Court were under the influence of alcohol, and 37.5% had a BrAC over .20%.

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Email from Walmart:

Erik Vega and I, Kennan Dove, would like to inform you on some of our theft deterrence in regards to Alcoholic Beverages. When this Wal-Mart was established back in 2005 our liquor aisle was located near the back of the store. There was no cashier nor any theft control. We would lose a lot of money due to theft because of no theft control. When we incorporated moving some of the liquor to the front of the store in 2014 and placing a cashier in that area it deterred theft by 85%. Having the liquor store staffed will actually decrease theft by 75%. We are able to deny sales to intoxicated individuals and also have a better understanding if an individual is purchasing for a minor. We have very strict policies to selling alcohol to intoxicated individuals and/or purchasing for minors. We were also able to place in PTZ (Pan Tilt Zoom) cameras in a more confined area to view the aisles clearer. With the liquor store being in front of the store it is closer to the Asset Protection office where we have Asset Protection Investigators that monitor the liquor store and react/recover the alcohol within seconds.