WESLEY'S RULES FOR EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY

- 1. READ THE DAMNED RULES—COMMERCIAL LITIGATION BY HAIG...
- 2. KNOW YOUR CASE: MOOT IT, PRACTICE IT, EXPLAIN IT TO YOUR SPOUSE, YOUR PARTNER, THE NEIGHBOR...
- 3. BELIEVE IN YOUR CASE—KNOW ITS STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES—CONCEDE THE WEAKNESSES AND USE THEM TO HIGHLIGHT THE STRENGTHS
- 4. BE YOURSELF
- 5. REDUCE CONFUSION—GO THE NIGHT BEFORE AND SEE HOW THE COURT WORKS, WHERE PEOPLE SIT—HOOSIERS...
- 6. TELL A STORY—IN YOUR BRIEF AND IN ORAL ARGUMENT—DON'T GET LOST IN THE MINUTIAE OF THE CASE
- 7. IF YOU ARE TOO INVESTED IN THE CASE, HIRE OUTSIDE APPELLATE COUNSEL
- 8. EDUCATE THE COURT—CARDOZO'S GROUP OF "WRETCHED GENERALISTS"
- 9. REDUCE THE CASE TO A 30 SECOND DESCRIPTION— THE ONE SENTENCE EXERCISE—BRIEF HAIKU