

1.10 INSTRUCTIONS TO JURORS BEFORE VOIR DIRE

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[The following suggested jury instructions are offered as assistance to judges in organizing their communications with juries. The Committee recommends that the judge tailor these instructions to the particular case being tried. In the circumstances presented, some of these suggested instructions should be altered, some should be eliminated. In addition, the format or the order in which these instructions are given to the jury should be the subject of the judge's option or discretion in each individual case.]

G. Identification of Potential Witnesses

I will now identify for you all persons who are potential witnesses in this trial.

[Give name and address or some identification of each potential witness.]

Because knowing one of the potential witnesses might influence your independent and impartial judgment of the facts of this case, I need to know if you recognize any of the names I just read. Do you know any of the potential witnesses in this trial? [If an affirmative answer, ask the juror to explain.]