



Section Two

- Roles of Participants



What is the Judge's job?



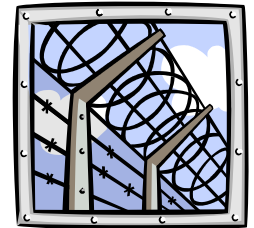


3 things to know about the Judge's job

- The Judge runs the courtroom



- The Judge decides if you must go to jail



- The Judge is not on either side





What is the defense attorney's job?





4 things to know about the defense attorney's job

- He or she is on your side
- He or she defends you by talking to the Judge
- He or she tells the Court your side of the story
- He or she tries to get you off the charges or get you a lighter sentence





What is the Commonwealth Attorney's
job?





3 things to know about the Commonwealth Attorney's job?

- He or she is against you



- He or she is trying to get you convicted (found guilty)

- He or she tells the Court what the police and others say you did





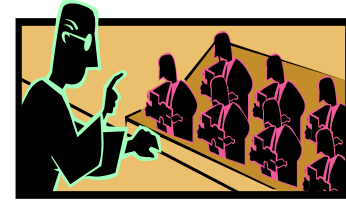
What is the jury's role?



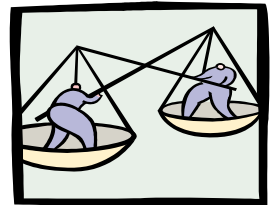


3 things to know about a jury

- They are 12 people who listen to both sides



- They decide if you're guilty or not guilty

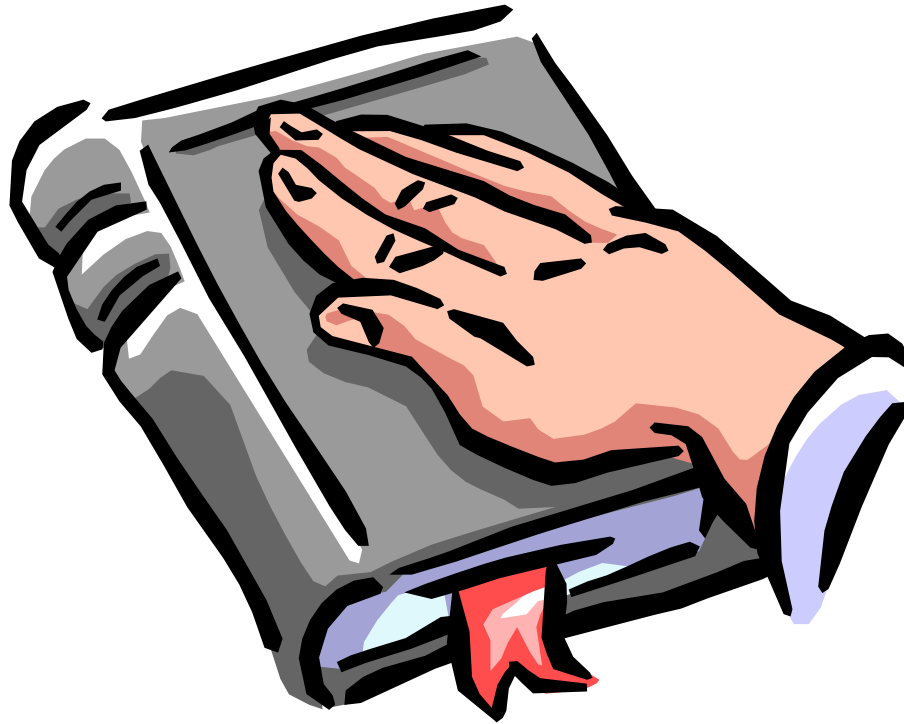


- All 12 must agree either you're guilty or you're not guilty





What does a witness do in court?





3 things to know about a witness

- He or she is sworn to tell the truth



- He or she answers questions about the crime from the witness stand



- He or she can help your side or the Commonwealth Attorney's side

