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# Remote Advocacy: Representing Your Client During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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# Take Control of Your Console

## WIDGETS ARE RESIZABLE AND MOVABLE

- Use the controls to minimize or maximize a widget
- Drag the bottom right hand corner to resize a widget
- Click the green icon to download resources and helpful links
- Have a question? Click the Q&A icon
- Click the yellow icon for tech help
- Audio: for best audio quality, please make sure your computer speakers (or headset) are turned on and the volume is up.

# Access to Justice Through Technology

- E-filing
- Online legal aid
- Virtual reality presentations for jurors
- Virtual mock trials for attorneys
- Courts: In person to conference calls for motions to video depositions to remote hearings for bonds to... virtual trials?

# The Visual Affects the Verdict

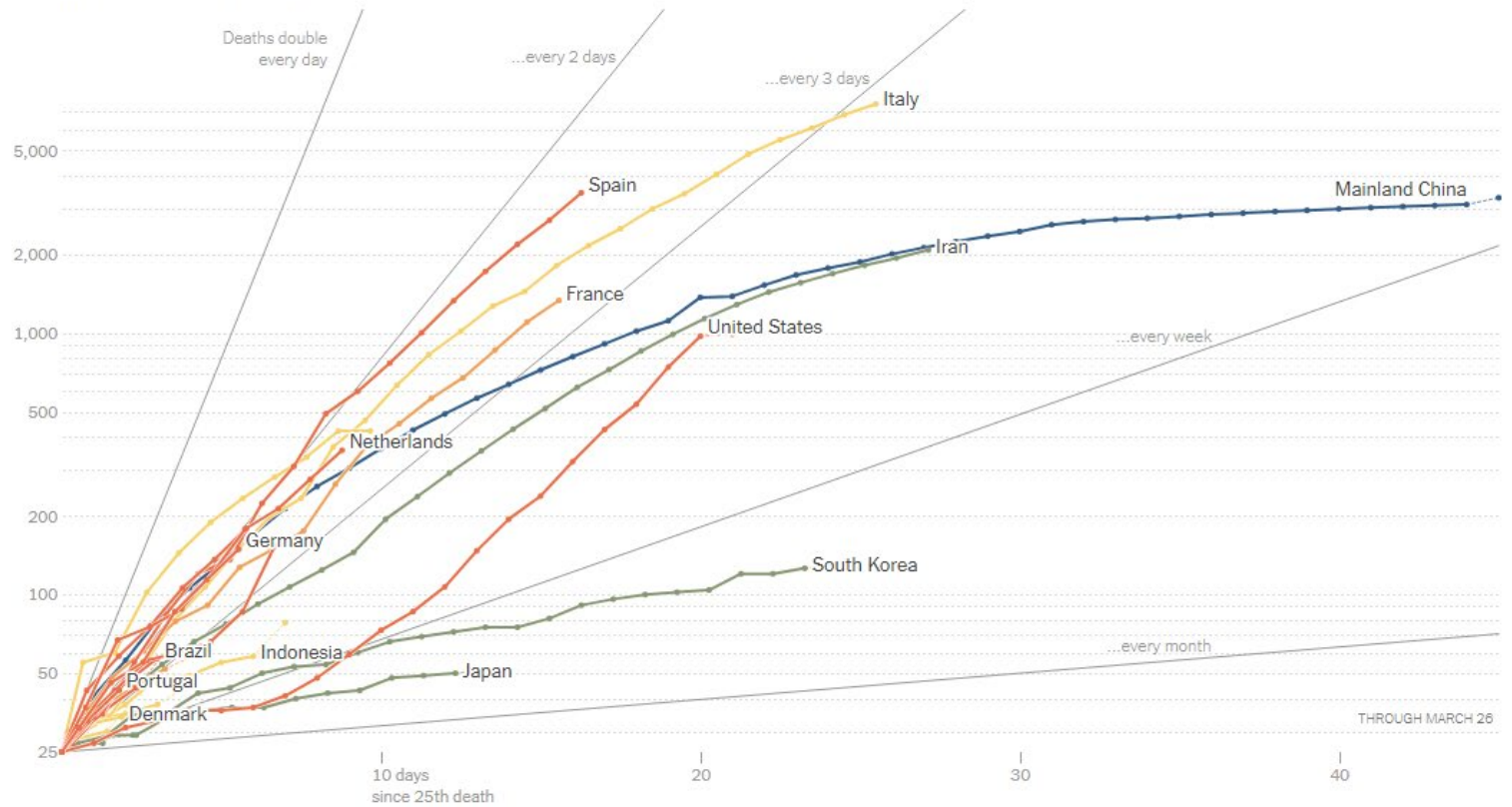
- “In one instance, the simple change from an equal-focused confession to a suspect-focused confession doubled the ‘conviction’ rate.”
- Video Cameras Too, Can Lie, or at Least Create Jury Prejudice
- Sharon Begley, Science Journal, *The Wall Street Journal*, January 31, 2003



Deaths by country for countries with at least 25 deaths

— Reported    ..... Partial (today)

Doubling time, in days



THROUGH MARCH 26

# Presenting Yourself Online

- Placement of computer

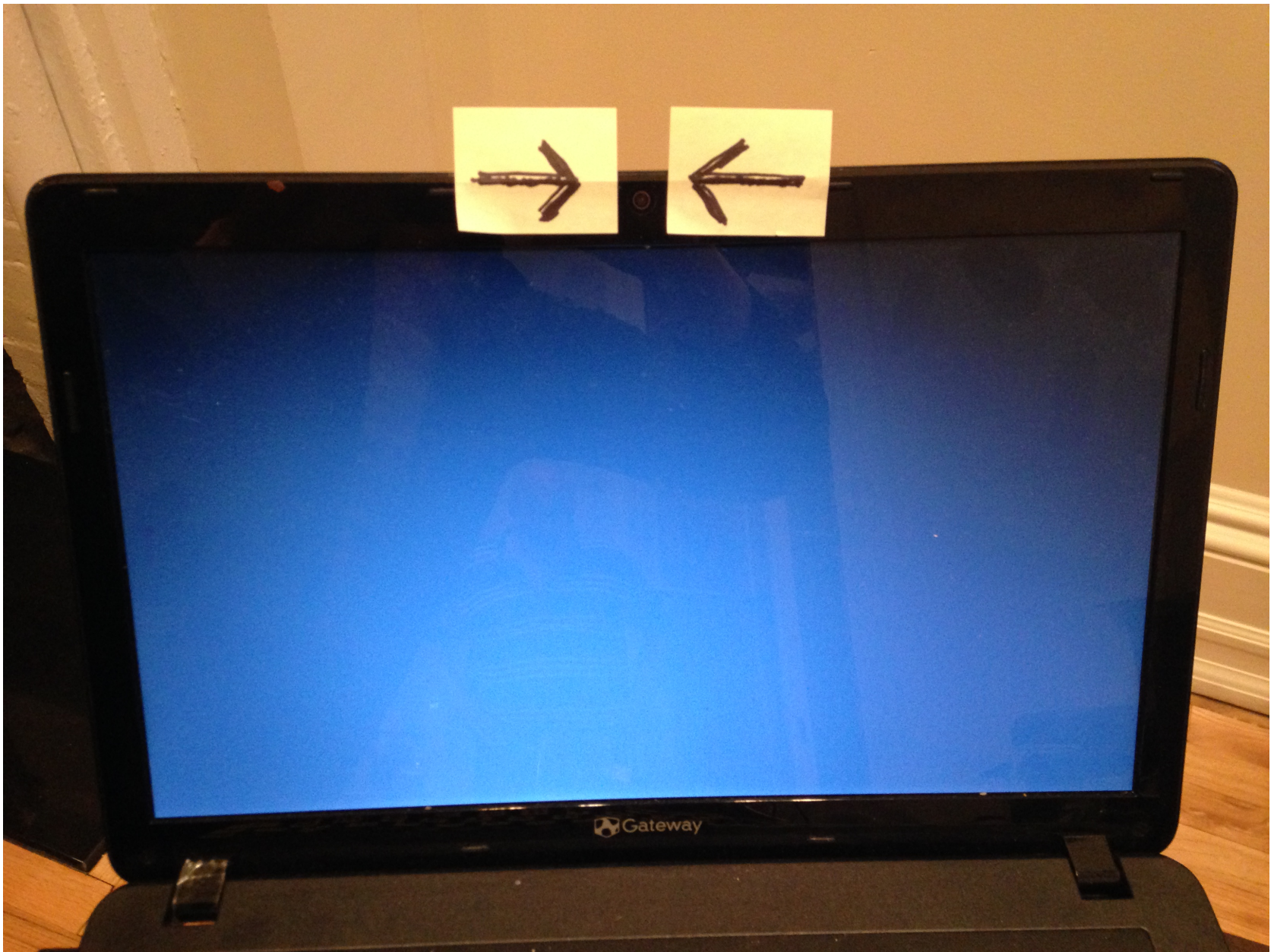






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- Tweak the lighting





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- Place the computer at eye level
- Talk to the camera
- Sit so they can see shoulders and upper arms
- Set the scene behind you
- Tweak the lighting
- Small spaces = better audio
- Adjust your chair
- Be clear, concise, and conversational
- Minimize distractions
- Test, test, test!

# Working with the Court and Counsel

- Is this best for your client?
- Do you need this to be in person?
- Stipulations for remote hearings/trials
- What is the “record”?
- Waiving reconsideration or appeal based on technological differences or problems
- Objections at the end

# How Can I Help the Court?

- Written submissions before hearing
- No interruptions or objections while someone else is talking
- Save case cites for written submissions
- Supplemental written submission after hearing
- Can I do anything to help the “record”?

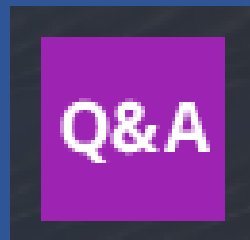
# Persuasion Over the Internet

- Brainstorm any visual that may help:
- *Timelines*
- *Cast of characters*
- *Maps, charts, diagrams, etc.*
- Use the tools you already have:
- *Headlining*
- *Numbering*
- *Ask for questions*

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# Questions?

*Submit a question using the Q&A icon  
at the bottom of your screen*





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