

THE COURT'S GENERAL QUESTIONS ON VOIR DIRE
CIVIL CASE

1. Have any of you heard of this case before?
2. Do any of you know any of the parties in this case?
3. The plaintiff is represented by _____
of the firm _____.
The defendant is represented by _____
of the firm _____.
Do any of you know either counsel or have any of you had any contact with either of these law firms?
4. It is anticipated that this case will last ____ days. Does that schedule present an undue hardship to any of you? Undue hardship is more than mere inconvenience but would present a serious personal burden for a juror to serve in this case.
5. Do any of you know any of the following persons who may be called as witnesses or whose names may be mentioned in this case?

6. Have any of you ever served on a jury?
7. Do any of you have any ethical, moral, religious or philosophical views that may cause you to feel uncomfortable sitting as a juror in a case in which one party is requesting money damages against another?
8. Evidence may involve or discuss [Neutral Statement +]
Do any of you have such strong feelings about this subject that you feel that you would not be able to act fairly and impartially?
9. Evidence may show that events in this case took place at or near _____.
Are any of you familiar with that location?
10. Have any of you ever been a witness in any court proceeding?
11. Have any of you ever had either an extremely pleasant or unpleasant experience with the legal system?
12. Do any of you know anyone who is a civil trial lawyer for either plaintiffs or defendants?

13. Do any of you know anyone connected with the courts or judicial branch of our government?
14. Do any of your close friends or family members practice law or work in any capacity in a law firm, business or government agency?
15. Do any of you have training, education, or knowledge in [medicine, etc.]
16. Is there any reason why any of you might not be able to try this case impartially and fairly for both sides?