

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

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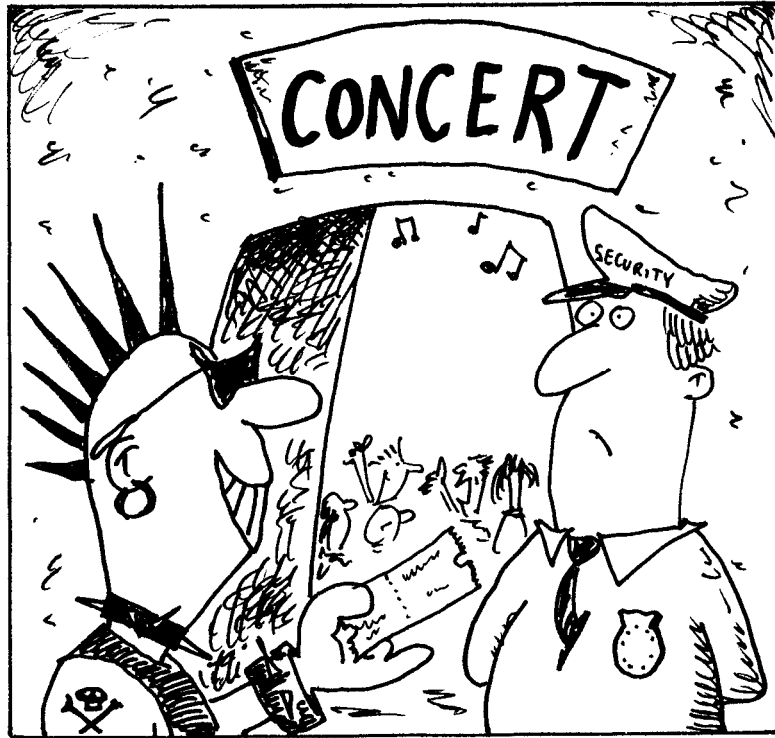
You be the Judge

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You be the Judge is a legal puzzle designed to exercise your mind and reasoning power. Read the facts of this real life court case. Then put your judgment against that of the real jury or trial judge.

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41. On-Duty Security Off-Duty Police?



Harold was employed as a police officer full-time with the Emerald City Police Department and was working, while off-duty, at a rock concert. He was wearing a security uniform provided by the rock concert promoters and was working as a security guard with the knowledge and consent of the police department. Harold was being paid by the concert promoters as a security guard. Randy, a concert attendee, became unruly at the concert and was told he had to leave by Harold. Randy became argumentative and Harold informed Randy that he was an off duty police officer and again told him to leave. Randy struck Harold in the face while refusing to leave. He was arrested and charged with a felony for committing battery on a police officer. Randy's attorney argues in court that his client did not attack someone who was working as a police officer but only a private security guard.

Is Randy guilty of felony battery on a police officer?

How do you think the case should have been decided?
