

# ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

## Opening Activity

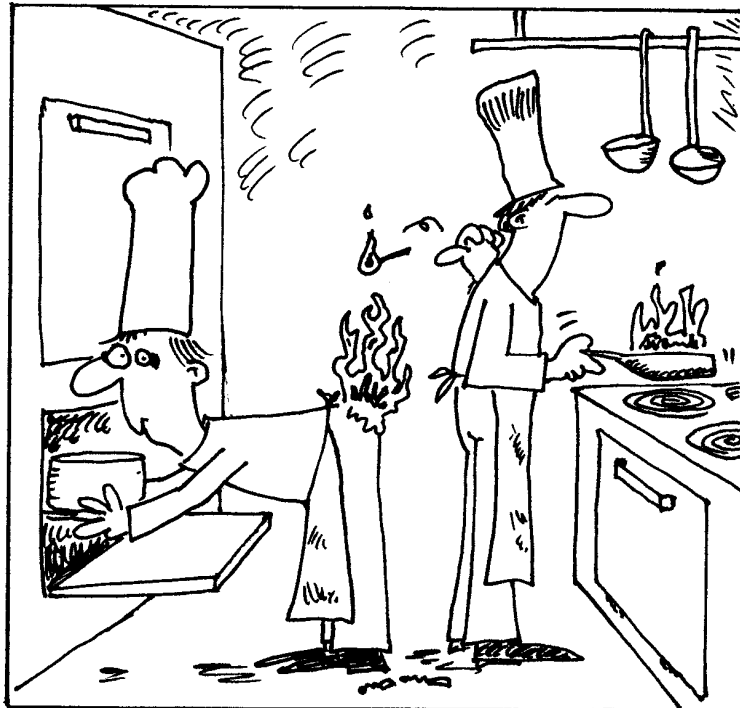
### You be the Judge

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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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#### 44. Flash Grease Fire



John had been working at local downtown restaurant as a new chef for three months. As he was preparing a customer's order, John caused a flash fire on the stove due to his own negligence. When another employee in the kitchen saw the fire he removed a fire extinguisher from a wall mount next to the stove. He began spraying the fire retardant from the extinguisher on the flames and the extinguisher made a loud hissing sound as the flame retardant was being dispensed to put out the fire. One of the customers near the kitchen heard the hissing sound and seeing the smoke from the kitchen shouted that gas was escaping in the kitchen and there would be an explosion. The other customers hearing the statement stampeded toward the door in an effort to escape from the restaurant before an explosion. Harry was injured in the stampede when he was knocked to the floor and trampled by other customers fleeing the restaurant. Harry has brought a law suit against John and the restaurant for the injuries and medical expenses he suffered.

**How do you think the case should have been decided will Harry recover damages?**

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