

# ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

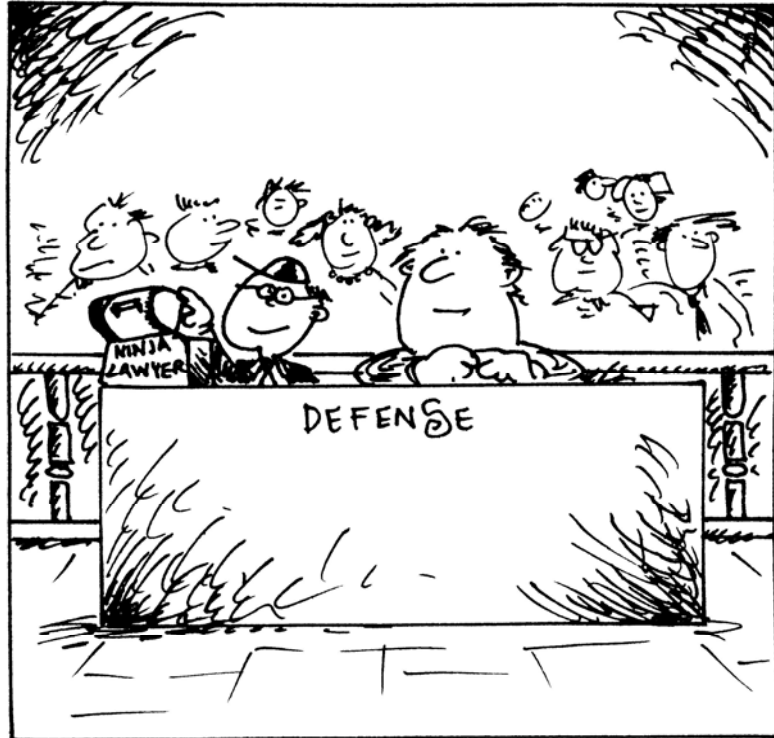
## Opening Activity

### 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.

## 8. On-the-Job-Training



Robert was charged with a complicated mail fraud scheme spanning 30 states. His original lawyer withdrew from the case just before the trial was to begin and the court appointed a young lawyer with only courtroom experience in real estate and divorce cases to defend Robert because he could not afford one. The lawyer had never handled a jury trial in a criminal court and was allowed only twenty-five days to prepare the defense case, even though the prosecution had taken four and a half years to investigate the case. Robert was convicted of mail fraud and has appealed to have the conviction over turned on the basis that his lawyer was too young, too inexperienced and had too little time to prepare the case, given the complexity of the case.

**How do you think the appellate courts will rule on his appeal? EXPLAIN**

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