

# ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

## Opening Activity

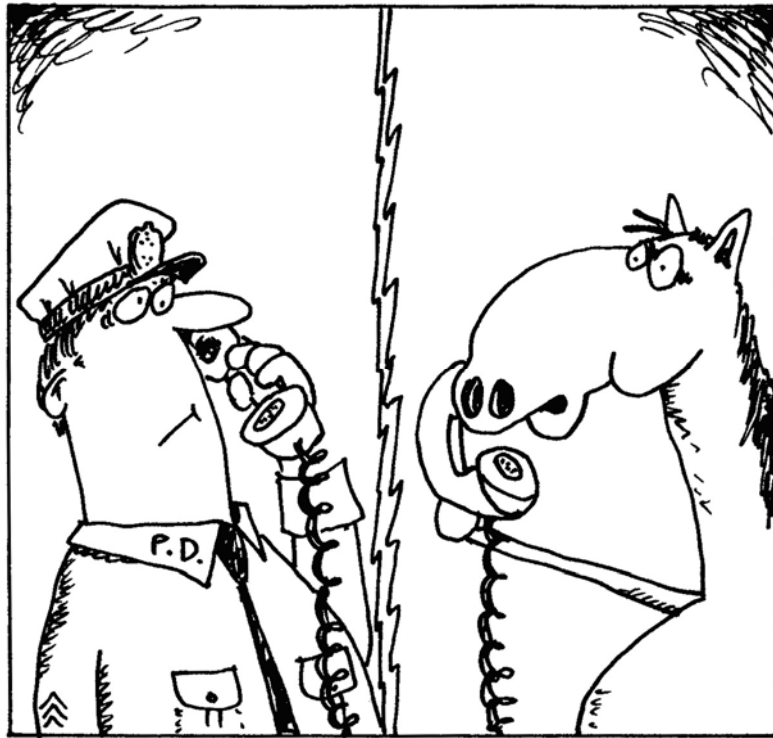
### You be the Judge

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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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## 10. Lucky Charm in the Fifth



Late one Saturday afternoon a call came into the police station from a proven informant. The police had used this informant as a source of reliable information concerning criminal activities in the community for over eight years. On this day, the informant provided information to the police regarding an illegal bookmaking operation that had been going on for several months in the downtown area. Based on the information, local police raided the bookie joint making several arrests. During the raid, the telephone rang and the call was taken by one of the officer's. The caller says: "Put \$100 on Lucky Charm in the fifth race." At the trial, the prosecution tries to enter this call taken by the police into evidence to help establish the existence of a bookmaking operation. The defense objects and alleges that the substance of the call taken by the officer is hearsay.

Is the evidence admissible?

**How do you think the case should have been decided?**

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