

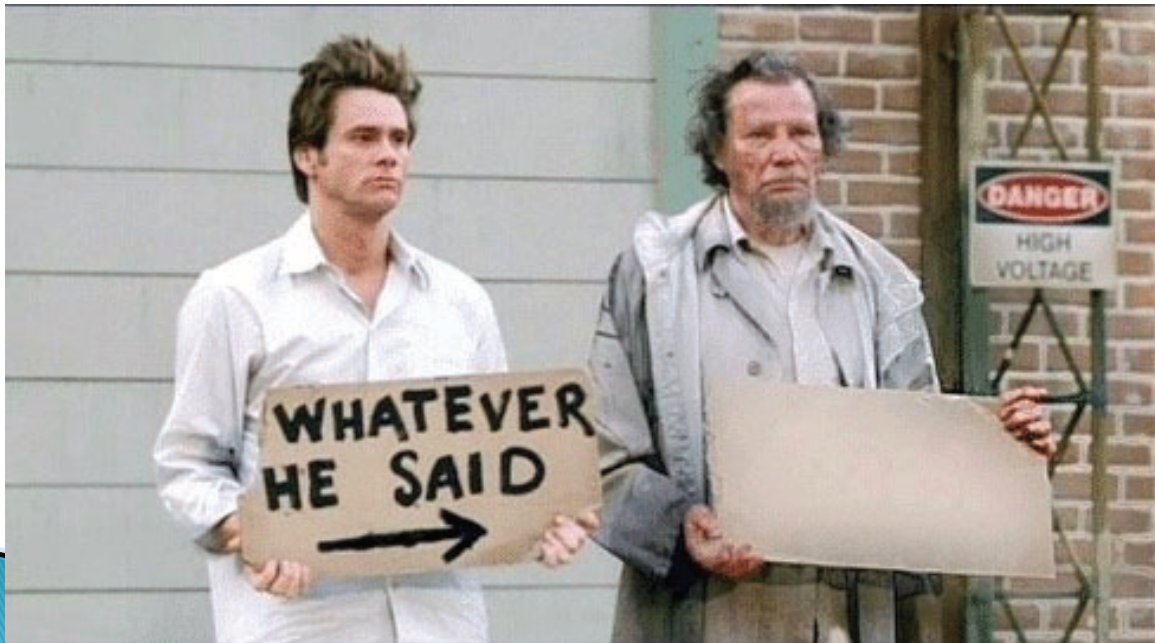
# Judicial Deference to Agency Interpretations

“The reports of my death are greatly exaggerated.”

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First things first:

What type of deference are we talking about?



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## Chevron Deference

*Federal doctrine establishing when the courts should defer to a government agency's interpretation, adopted through formal rulemaking or adjudicatory hearing, of a statute it is charged with enforcing*

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## Skidmore Deference

*Federal doctrine establishing when the courts should defer to a government agency's interpretation, adopted other than through formal rulemaking or adjudicatory hearing, of a statute it is charged with enforcing (e.g., policy statements, opinion letters, guidelines)*

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