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## Preparations for Trial: Suggested Changes for the Post Covid Trial

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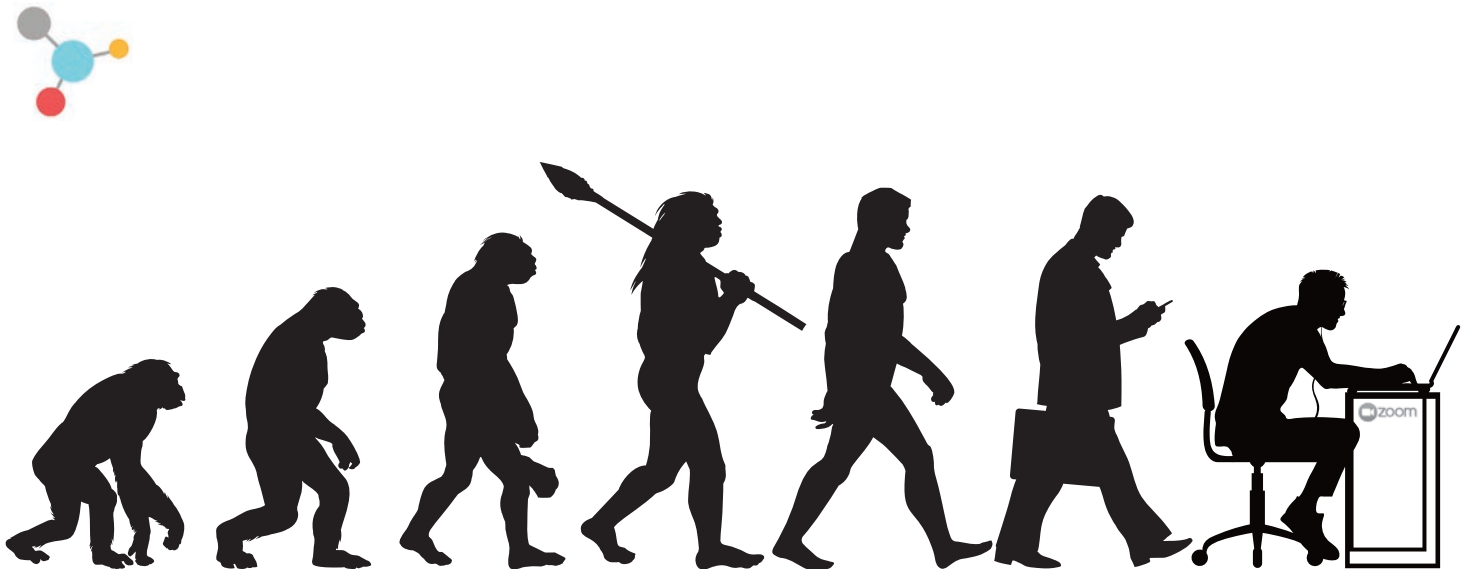
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# Evolutionary Advocacy

## Fully Remote



Travis County Judge Nicholas Chu prepared in August for the nation's first virtual criminal trial

Credit: Steve Miller  
Texas Office of Court Administration

## Hybrid



Columbus Dispatch, Columbus Ohio

## Fully In-Person (ish)



PSA video about jury trials resuming in Houston. Courtesy of the District Courts of Harris County

## You as a producer



- Wear more hats
- Zoom updates
- Audience is now ahead of us (20:1)
- Your fear is legitimate





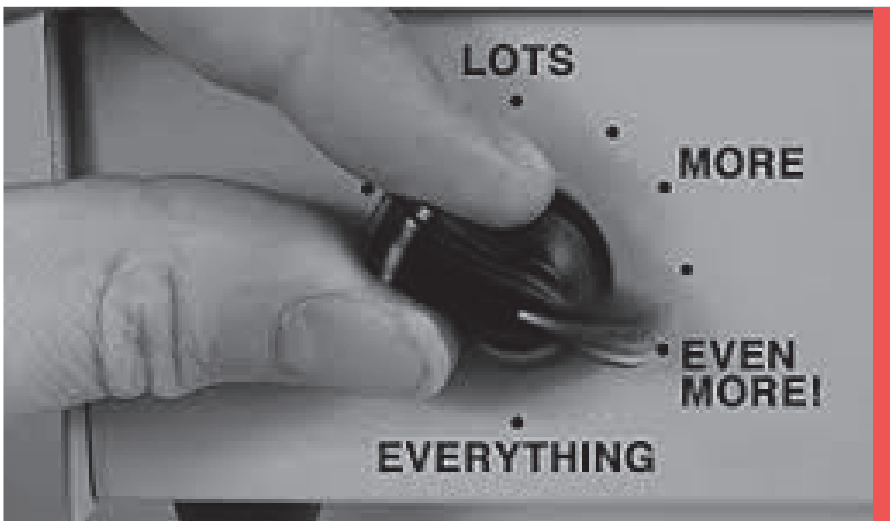
## Misconceptions When Conducting Remote Proceedings

### Temptations to:

- Lead more
- Use fewer exhibits
- Take longer
- No demonstratives
- Focus on us not witness
- Ignore emotional content



## Tips for Remote: **M.O.R.E.**



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