

# Helping your client maintain composure in the courtroom

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# The key to controlling your client is

1. Build rapport with your client throughout representation
2. Walk your client through potential scenarios so they can at least know what to expect
3. Expect the unexpected, remember you cannot prepare for everything



**Develop rapport with your client**



**Prepare client for her own testimony and what others are going to say**



# Jury Trial

12 strangers staring at them and judging



**Go over with client what they should do when they want to share Information with you during trial**



# “Prove Up” in Voluntary or Stipulation to Grounds



# Unfitness Finding



# Standards and Focus at the Grounds phase v. Disposition



# Appellate Rights



