1. What educational background do trial consultants have?

2. Is trial consultation part of forensic psychology or legal psychology?

3. Be able to identify some of the numerous areas involved in trial consultation.

4. Define voir dire and the trial consultant’s role in jury selection.

5. Define peremptory challenge, challenge for cause, and a Batson challenge and how these procedures are used by defense and prosecution attorneys.


7. Define evaluation anxiety and demand characteristics and their role in a potential juror’s responses during voir dire.

8. What is a stealth juror?

9. Contrast traditional jury selection to scientific jury selection.

10. What is a change of venue and under what circumstances is it appropriate?

11. What effect can pre-trial publicity have on the outcome of a trial?

12. How is the community survey used and what are the key components of a community survey?

13. Be able to discuss characteristics used to predict verdicts including demographic variables, personality traits, and attitudinal variables. Be sure to identify which variables are effective.


15. What is the work product doctrine?

16. What role does the trial consultant play in witness preparation?

17. What is a shadow jury?

18. Be able to discuss some of the ethical concerns regarding the use of a trial consultant.

19. What training is required to be an effective trial consultant?