

## DEFENSE Instruction Form

The DEFENSE team will have a two (2) students who will each act as an attorney. The team may use other students as witnesses, to prepare the written speech for each attorney, to research information to provide for the speeches, and/or to supply a visual, such as an enlarged photograph, map, or any other helpful visual information to aid in the convincing of the DEFENSE's case.

The DEFENSE will provide all speeches together with all documents in a formal written essay. Include a "table of contents" labeling all individual parts of the DEFENSE's documents, visuals, etc. On a separate sheet of paper, type the names of each DEFENSE member and include it at the end of the essay for a collaborative grade for the team.

(opening statement)

DEFENSE ATTORNEY #1: If it pleases this honorable court and jury. [Provide a summary (timeline) of the case, highlighting points in favor of your case] Today, we will prove that [State your thesis. An example might be that "the lawyer provided, time and time again, not only concern, but care for his employee in this case. We will provide evidence that our client clearly made all reasonable efforts to care for Bartleby, thus holding that his actions were *enacted to provide the safety.*"]

(evidence and argument)

DEFENSE ATTORNEY #1: Good afternoon Your Honor, Members of the Jury. [Provide evidence and argument for one point] An example might be "Your Honor and members of the jury, I'd like to turn your attention to a time when...(fill in something from the story where the narrator, Bartleby's employer, showed that he cared and tried to help Bartleby)...it was then that we see his actions were in concern and good faith to provide the mental and physical safety of Bartleby."

DEFENSE ATTORNEY #2: Good afternoon Your Honor, Members of the Jury. [Provide evidence and argument for one point]

The DEFENSE ATTORNEYS may continue to call as many witnesses to the stand one by one as needed to convince the jury and judge. Witnesses are not limited to the characters in the story.

(closing statement)

DEFENSE ATTORNEY #2: If it please this honorable court and jury. Today the Defense has provided this court with evidence that the lawyer acted in good faith to provide safety to Bartleby and should not be held liable for the actions resulting in the death of Bartleby. [Provide a summary of each piece of evidence and argument]. Therefore, the DEFENSE requests that you find in favor of the lawyer. Thank you.