

Optimum Use of Time & Persons During Jury Selection

Practical Guidance:
A.B.A. Principles for
Juries & Jury Trials

“Trial judges should use modern trial management techniques that eliminate unnecessary trial delay and disruption.”

- I. Can we get started before jurors walk in?**
- II. Who can help us progress?**
- III. What stands in the way of progress?**

“Trial judges should use modern trial management techniques....”

- **Pre-screen summoned jurors**
- **Pre-trial conference with lawyers**
- **Written questionnaires**
- **Coordination/training of staff**
- **Pre-trial management orders**
- **Opening instructions to venire panel**

Who owns this trial?

- **The parties**
- **The court**
- **The community**