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Civility, Safety, and Detached Lawyer Syndrome in Family Court

Test 89

1. What is "Detached Lawyer Syndrome" as described in the article?

- a. A medical condition specific to lawyers
- b. A term to describe problematic lawyer behaviors
- c. A legal precedent in family law
- d. A formal psychological diagnosis

2. What is the primary purpose of the BIFF Communication Method?

- a. To intimidate opposing counsel
- b. To streamline case filing
- c. To reduce conflict in communication
- d. To improve courtroom presentations

3. Which of the following is NOT a component of the BIFF method?

- a. Brief
- b. Firm
- c. Defensive
- d. Informative

4. The COVID pandemic likely reduced incivility among family law practitioners.

- a. True
- b. False

5. What year did the term "Blamespeak" originate?

- a. 2000
- b. 2010
- c. 2020
- d. 2024

6. According to the article, what has likely increased incivility among lawyers?

- a. The aftermath of the COVID pandemic
- b. Declining education standards
- c. Increased courtroom decorum rules
- d. Improved technological literacy

7. Judges play a critical role in maintaining civility and order in courtrooms.

- a. True
- b. False

8. The article suggests that lawyers should never care about their clients' well-being.

- a. True
- b. False

9. What is one proposed solution for incivility mentioned in the article?

- a. Mandating therapy for attorneys
- b. Better courtroom control by judges
- c. Eliminating family courts altogether
- d. Requiring all communication to be verbal

10. Why might judges hesitate to sanction attorneys for uncivil behavior?

- a. Lack of awareness of the behavior
- b. Concern about re-election or political contributions
- c. Fear of lawsuits from attorneys
- d. Opposition from the Legislature

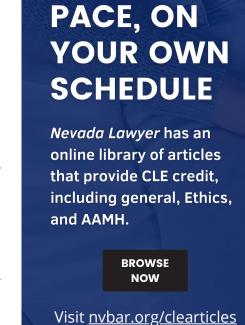
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