

# Expert Mandates

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## QUESTION 1

# Role of an expert witness vs. counsel

The criteria for admissibility and what makes an effective expert witness?



## QUESTION 2

Clients will often request high-level or narrow expert reports containing “preliminary views,” especially when the report is being prepared for mediation.

How should experts approach these mandates?



### QUESTION 3

Tips for designing document sharing systems for experts and listing the documents consulted/relied on in the expert report





#### QUESTION 4

Best practices for collaboration on expert reports, for both lawyers and experts to produce a high-quality report



#### QUESTION 5

What makes a good responding expert report, and are there specific considerations?





#### QUESTION 7

What should an expert do if, after finalizing the report, it becomes apparent that there is an error in the report?

What are the best ways to address errors on the stand if the expert is asked directly about them?





## QUESTION 8

The lawyer's job is to be an advocate for the client, while the expert's job is to serve as an independent and objective expert to assist the court or tribunal.

In light of this distinction, how should lawyers and experts handle circumstances where the expert's opinion is not the answer that the lawyer/client wanted or expected?

How can a balance be achieved between effective advocacy and not pushing the expert to adopt an unsupportable conclusion?

