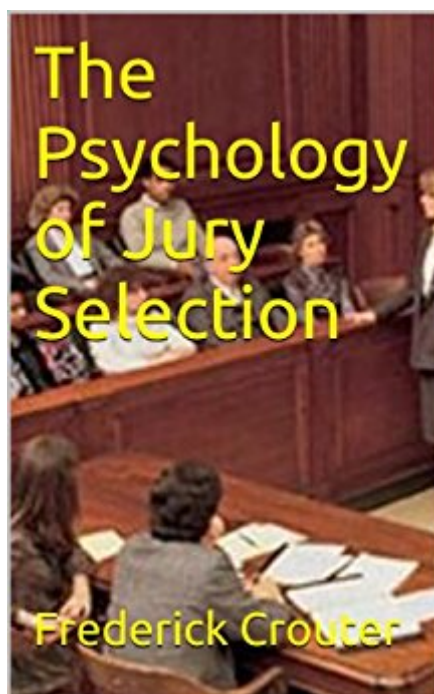


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# The Psychology Of Jury Selection



## Synopsis

A manual of the techniques used by a psychologist to detect possible juror bias during Voir Dire and the Trial process. Included is the link to a jury selection program that can be used to assist in the selection of a jury. Also included is a software program which can be downloaded - "The Jury Selector". This program evaluates possible juror bias from the information given on the juror inquiry sheets

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I liked the author's quote on avoiding anybody whose profession starts with "P" to be avoided in jury selections. I have not been to a jury duty, so i learnt a lot from questionnaire, to various formalities in selection process as well as actual jury deliberations itself in real life. Have read Grisham's novels, but to get a perspective in real life is very good.

I never knew so much detail was considered when selecting a member of a Jury Panel. This book goes into great detail in what to expect from the Psychology of the Juror's. It tell's you how even the way a person dresses makes can make a difference. If you need to know about the Psychology of Jury Selection, this is your book!

It is hard to underestimate the importance of picking a jury in today's criminal justice system. The best attorney in the world can prepare diligently for trial only to have the effort nullified by a bad jury. The area of picking the right jurors is part science and part art. This book offers valuable insights into the science but is a little short on the art. Having watched many trials as a reporter I have come to the conclusion you can never predict what a jury will do. There are so many variables even the best guide will fall short. However this book offers general guidance and good suggestions for those interested in this field. A few real life examples would have made it much more readable.

If you are a lawyer, you might need to read a proper book with lengthy explanations, details, references, notes, bibliography and proofs. If you are not, this is a short summary of what to look for if you want to become good at guessing what people think. I found this small book very interesting and amusing. Information like this is useful for everybody. To get a more detailed book, you might try "Winning at trial". If you are interested in body language, there are specific books about it too. But if you want just a whiff on how it is done, this is fine.

I have spent some time in courtrooms during jury selection and it has been a frustrating experience at times. This topic of jury selection is very important and some attorneys act like they are lining up kids for dodgeball with little consideration for their skills and most important: their attention span. I have seen a lot of money wasted on retrials and it was all because of a juror, some blatantly obvious as unfit for service. If this saves one county from that fate it is a very worthwhile investment.

I found this book by Crouter interesting. As a major in Psychology and reader of many psychological works, some of the thoughts were familiar to me. Others were way outside my realm of experience and so was not sure of the conclusions. It was interesting to find out what types of things go on in jury selection so I enjoyed it. J. Robert Ewbank author "John Wesley, Natural Man, and the Isms" "Wesley's Wars" and "To Whom It May Concern"

Anybody who has read a whodunit court room jury trial book know how important the selection of a jury is or can be. Just look at recent trials in the U.S. and notice how some jurors weren't interested at all in the facts for their minds were made up. Some had political views, some were prejudiced either for the defendant or against the defendant. It's not pretty but that's what we have. People get paid to help lawyers analyze who will be disposed to favor their client. Truth has nothing to do with

it. Figure how a person might vote, if that person will support your client -- then select him. Far too much emotion in our trials -- but that's what we have. Discerning persons will be interested in this book which gives the lay person insight on how juries are selected. The give and take, the psychology of it all. Is it a lousy system? > No, just not perfect and I hastened to add a lot better than what exists in many other countries.

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