

Now let me add one or two words of my own. Remember that cross-examination is a duty we owe to our clients, not a matter of mere personal glory or fame. Remember that regard must be had for the true administration of justice, and that justice must not be defeated by improper cross-examination. Remember that we owe an obligation to the State which gives a monopoly to our profession, and that we should render that to the State which inures to the benefit of the public. Remember also that in cross-examination we owe a duty to ourselves, and that we are bound to give the best that is in us in that most difficult art, however we may fail in the result; and so, if we fulfil all these obligations our names will be re-called as those who lent honour and dignity to our profession; we will be remembered as those who regarded fairness as one of the great elements of advocacy, and whose talents and genius were not aimed at self-glorification, but were used to establish truth, to detect falsehood, to uphold right and justice, and expose the wrongdoings of dishonest men.