

started when the trial judgments are rendered.

The trial judgment is sought by the plain everyday suitor as though it were the end of it all.

On the other hand the veteran litigant, hardened in the courts, only laughs at the first lap marked by the trial judgment. To him this is merely the *trial* judge's opinion to be pared and pruned, or varied, or reversed, in the tortuous pathway marking varied appellate court debates: to him the trial judgment is merely the first of a good half-dozen judgments by way of appeal through a long chain of appellate courts.

In this connection, nothing can more cruelly distress the veteran suitor (who counts his lawsuits by the score or by the hundreds) than cutting out a single one of the goodly list of courts of appeal. To this type of suitor, the jockeying in countless motions between the many appeals