
Hallie Levin Shares Advice on Crafting Your Best Opening Statement

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In an interview with the *American Bar Association Journal*, Partner [Hallie Levin](#) shares three tips she keeps in mind as she crafts and practices opening statements. Levin is a seasoned trial lawyer who serves as lead and co-lead counsel on high-stakes commercial disputes in federal and state courts and arbitral tribunals.

After months of preparation, you finally have the chance to try your case. The jurors follow you expectantly as you stand, take a deep breath and say—what? What do you say? How should you say it? The answers to these questions are crucial to your entire case. A trial can be won or lost based on choices you make in your opening statement. It's your first chance to frame the narrative, win the jurors' sympathy and establish your own credibility. [Read the full article](#)

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