

# Ethics Hypo

- Jury pool includes former co-worker at McDonald's
- John says former co-worker was always nice to him
- Co-worker does not mention he used to work with John
- "Adults are responsible for what they do, period!"

## State v. Ali, 329 N.C. 394 (1991)

However, when counsel and a fully informed criminal defendant client reach an absolute impasse as to such tactical decisions, the client's wishes must control; this rule is in accord with the principal-agent nature of the attorney-client relationship. In such situations, however, defense counsel should make a record of the circumstances, her advice to the defendant, the reasons for the advice, the defendant's decision and the conclusion reached.