

N.C.P.I.—Criminal 105.30
EVIDENCE RELATING TO THE CHARACTER OF A WITNESS (INCLUDING THE DEFENDANT)
FOR TRUTHFULNESS. G.S. 8C-1, Rule 608.
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Evidence has been received with regard to the character of [a witness] [the defendant]¹ for truthfulness.² You may consider this evidence for one purpose only. If you believe all or any part of this evidence and find that it bears upon the [witness's] [defendant's] truthfulness, you may consider it, and all other facts and circumstances bearing upon the [witness's] [defendant's] truthfulness, in deciding whether you will believe or disbelieve the [witness's] [defendant's] testimony at this trial. You may not consider this evidence for any other purpose.

¹ This instruction should be used only when the defendant or other witness has testified at trial. If evidence has been received bearing on pertinent character traits of the defendant, N.C.P.I.—Crim. 105.60 should also be used. If evidence of his character is offered when the defendant has not testified, use N.C.P.I.—Crim. 105.60. G.S. 8C-Rule 608 allows character evidence to be in either the form of reputation or opinion.

² In rape or sex offense cases, use N.C.P.I.—Crim. 105.31 for evidence relating to the victim's past sexual behavior.

