

1.12 GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR STANDARD CHARGE
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P. No Prejudice, Passion, Bias or Sympathy

Your oath as jurors requires you to decide this case fairly and impartially, without sympathy, passion, bias or prejudice. You are to decide this case based solely upon the evidence that you find believable and in accordance with the rules of law that I give you.

(Sympathy is an emotion which is normal for human beings. No one can be critical of you for feeling some degree of sympathy in this matter. However, that sympathy must play no part in your thinking and in the decision you reach in the jury room.)

(Similarly, your decision must not be based upon bias or prejudice which you might have developed during the trial, for or against any party.)

(Your duty is to decide this case impartially and a decision based on sympathy, passion, bias or prejudice would violate that duty.)