Entering Into Evidence

- 1. Your honor, permission to approach opposing counsel with what has been marked for identification as People/Defense Exhibit ____ (show the other side the exhibit)
- 2. Permission to approach the witness with the same. (hand exhibit to witness and step back)
- 3. Do you recognize it? (witnesses- take the time to look at it!)
- 4. What is it?
- 5. How do you recognize it?
- 6. Is it in the same or substantially the same condition as when you wrote it/observed it? OR if a picture, Is it a fair and accurate representation of (describe photo) on (date photo taken).
- 7. Business Record Questions (ASK ONLY IF BUSINESS RECORD)
 - 1. Who made the report/record?
 - 2. Is it made in the regular course of business?
 - 3. Is it made at or near the time of the occurrence?
 - 4. Is it kept in the regular course of business?
- 8. Your honor, at this time the People/Defense offer Exhibit _____ into evidence. Its authenticity has been stipulated

Impeachment by Contradiction

- 1. It's your testimony that you were not present at the murder?
- 2. <u>Witness</u>, you made a sworn affidavit before coming to court today.?
- 3. You were told to include all pertinent and relevant information?
- 4. You were told to tell the truth?
- 5. You could update it at anytime up until today?
- 6. Isn't it true that in that sworn affidavit, you said that you were present at the murder scene?
- Your honor, approaching witness with a copy of the witness' affidavit (show to opposing counsel and say "I'm referring to lines _____")
- 8. This is your sworn affidavit?
- 9. It's a fair and accurate copy?
- 10. That's your signature on the last page?
- 11. Please read silently with me as I read aloud lines _____: "I was present at the murder scene" Did I read that correctly?
- 12. Permission to approach and retrieve the affidavit.

Impeachment by Omission

- 1. It's your testimony that you murdered Mr. Smith?
- 2. <u>Witness</u>, you made a sworn affidavit before coming to court today.?
- 3. You were told to include all pertinent and relevant information?
- 4. You were told to tell the truth?
- 5. You could update it at anytime up until today?
- 6. Isn't it true that nowhere in this sworn affidavit do you say that you murdered Mr. Smith?
- 7. Your honor, approaching witness with a copy of the witness' affidavit (show to opposing counsel and say "I'm referring to the document in whole")
- 8. This is your sworn affidavit?
- 9. It's a fair and accurate copy?
- 10. That's your signature on the last page?
- 11. Show the court where it says that you murdered Mr. Smith.
- 12. Permission to approach and retrieve the affidavit.