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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 19, 2017 2:35 PM  
**To:** jeevacation@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Re: Hello

Live in Atlanta, most of my work is in NY - but practice all over (arguing a case this week in Chicago, for example; guy in LA asking to retain me in 30 kilo cocaine case).

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From: jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com>  
To: David Schoen <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Sun, Feb 19, 2017 9:28 am  
Subject: Re: Hello

where are you based. ?

On Sun, Feb 19, 2017 at 3:06 PM, <[REDACTED]> > wrote:

That is and always has been, of necessity, the bread and butter of my practice. As you might imagine, in organized crime cases (i represent 2 of the purported bosses of the 5 families and have represented alleged head of Russian mafia, Israeli mafia, and a Canadian the govt claimed was the biggest mafioso in the world) the lawyer generally makes his case by undermining the government's not through a direct case with pristine witnesses.

I start preparing for every case, whether o.c., white collar, or civil litigation, from the first client interview, by planning my cross-examination. For me, at least, a cross-examination centered approach is the only (and by far the best) way to prepare and proceed for many reasons requiring a longer discussion and perhaps not so interesting to most people.

I think most lawyers with any significant criminal defense practice or perhaps any litigation practice fancy themselves to be adroit cross-examiners. That has not been my experience and you can fill in the names you already know among criminal defense lawyers in my view. Most often an exercise in ego, to the client's detriment, lack of prep (itself often a function of ego), and not listening to the witness (lawyer often stuck to a script = missed opportunities in cross).

Running out now to speak now to a group of senior citizens about a case i did at the Supreme Court and other Israel related issues.

David

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On Sunday, February 19, 2017 jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com <<mailto:jeevacation@gmail.com>> > wrote:

we will see. in fact i just asked who is good at cross. ? are you?

**[REDACTED]**

I see now the media is using this acosta nomination and the Maxwell case in NY to once again get your name in the mix. I sure hope the lawyer(s) in this Maxwell case is someone who cross-examines for a living if this case goes to trial. The case presents a real opportunity for a hard-hitting cross-examiner to undermine credibility with respect to a witness/plaintiff who apparently has a lot of baggage to work with. I hope the lawyer doesn't add his or her name to the list of people who throw you under the bus in the process. Sorry to see your name dredged up again. Take care, David

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From: jeffrey E. <ieevacation@gmail.com <mailto:ieevacation@gmail.com> >

Sent: Wed, Jan 18, 2017 2:38 pm

Subject: Re: Hello

Same

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Just checking in to say happy new year and see how things are going. I stopped in and saw our mutual friend in NY last week and it reminded me of you. I hope things are going well for you and that you have a great new year free from a lot of the hassles from the media and former "friends" and free from litigation. Take care.

David

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