

A VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY INCLUDES:

Based upon the evidence, we the Jurors find that the defendant is **absolutely 100%** innocent.

Based upon the evidence, we the Jurors cannot be **absolutely sure** that the defendant is innocent.

Based upon the evidence presented, we the Jurors are **confident** that the defendant is innocent.

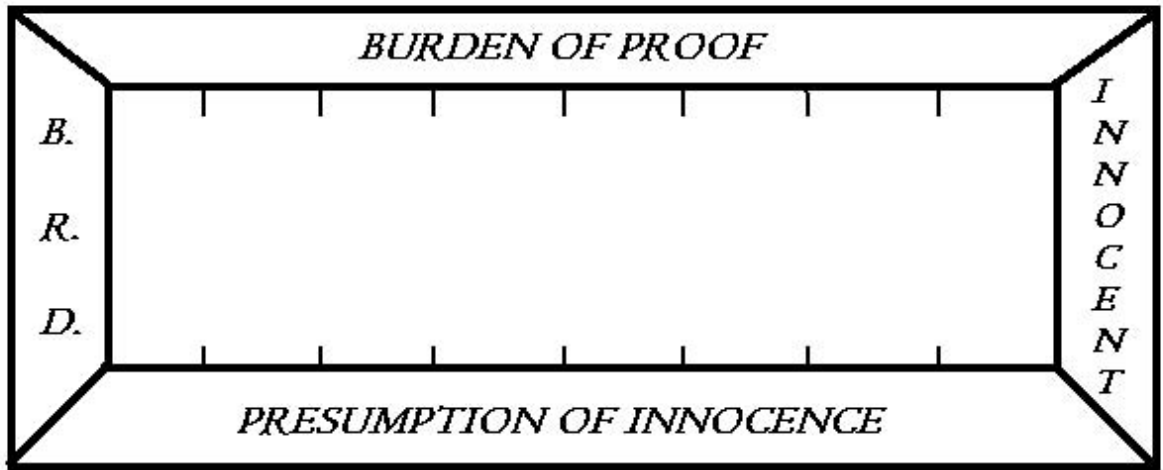
Based upon the evidence presented, we the Jurors believe that the defendant is **probably innocent**.

Based upon the evidence presented, we the Jurors are **not really sure one way or the other** if the defendant is guilty or innocent.

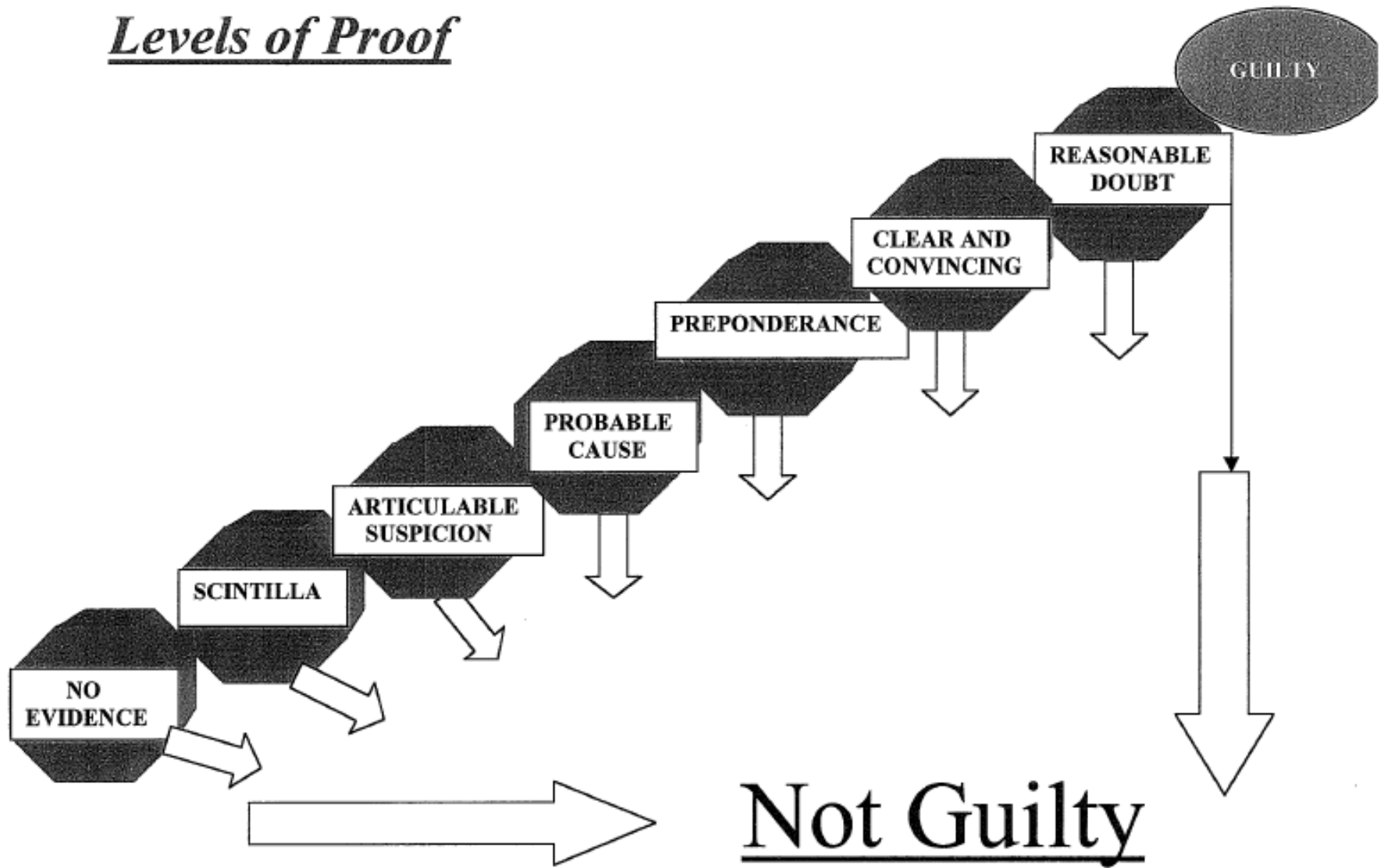
Based upon the evidence, we the Jurors believe it is **more likely than not** that the defendant is guilty.

Based upon the evidence presented, we the Jurors believe that the defendant is **probably guilty**.

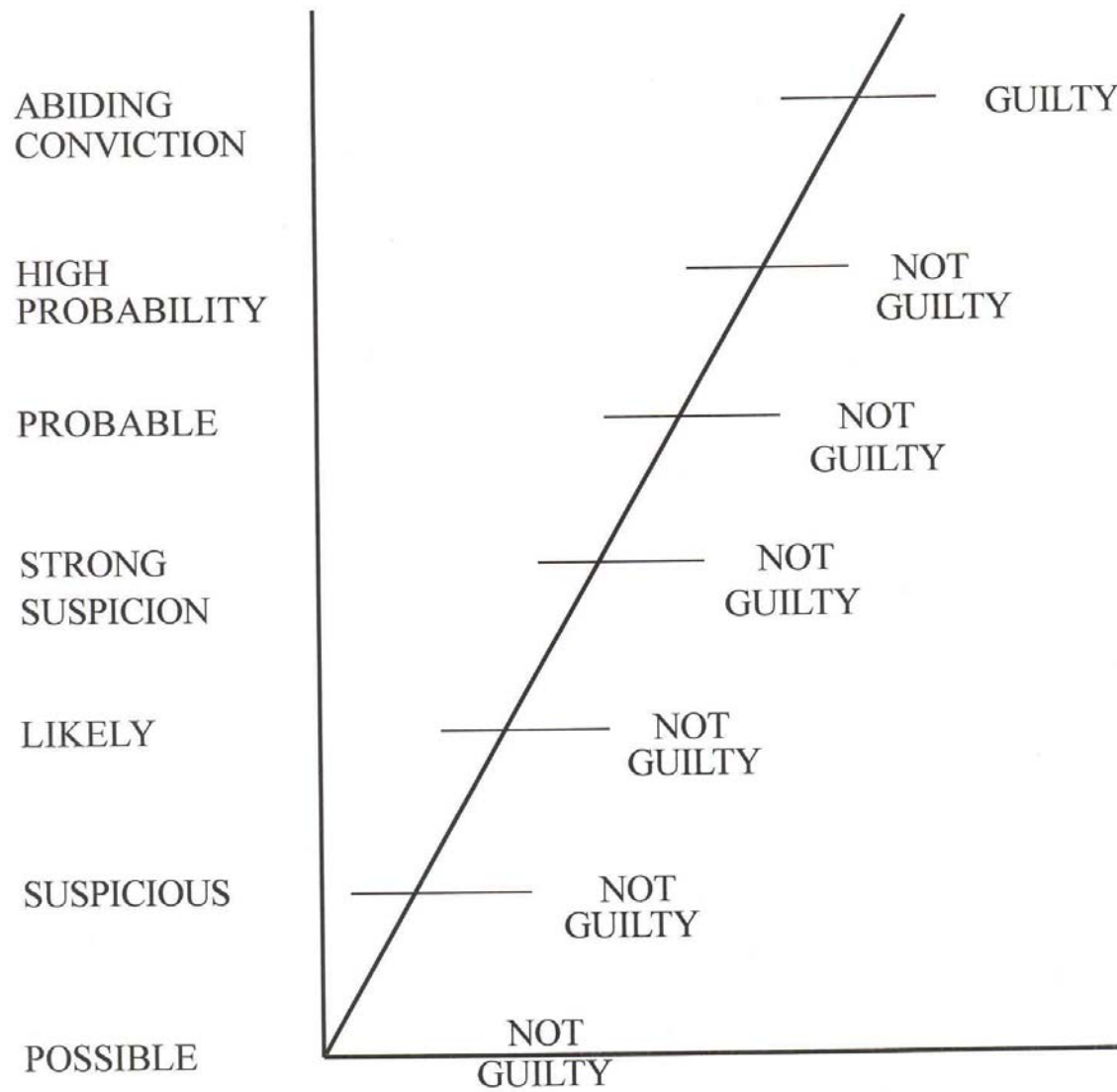
We the Jurors believe that the defendant is guilty but the **evidence falls a little short** and we **cannot find** that the defendant is guilty **beyond a reasonable doubt**.



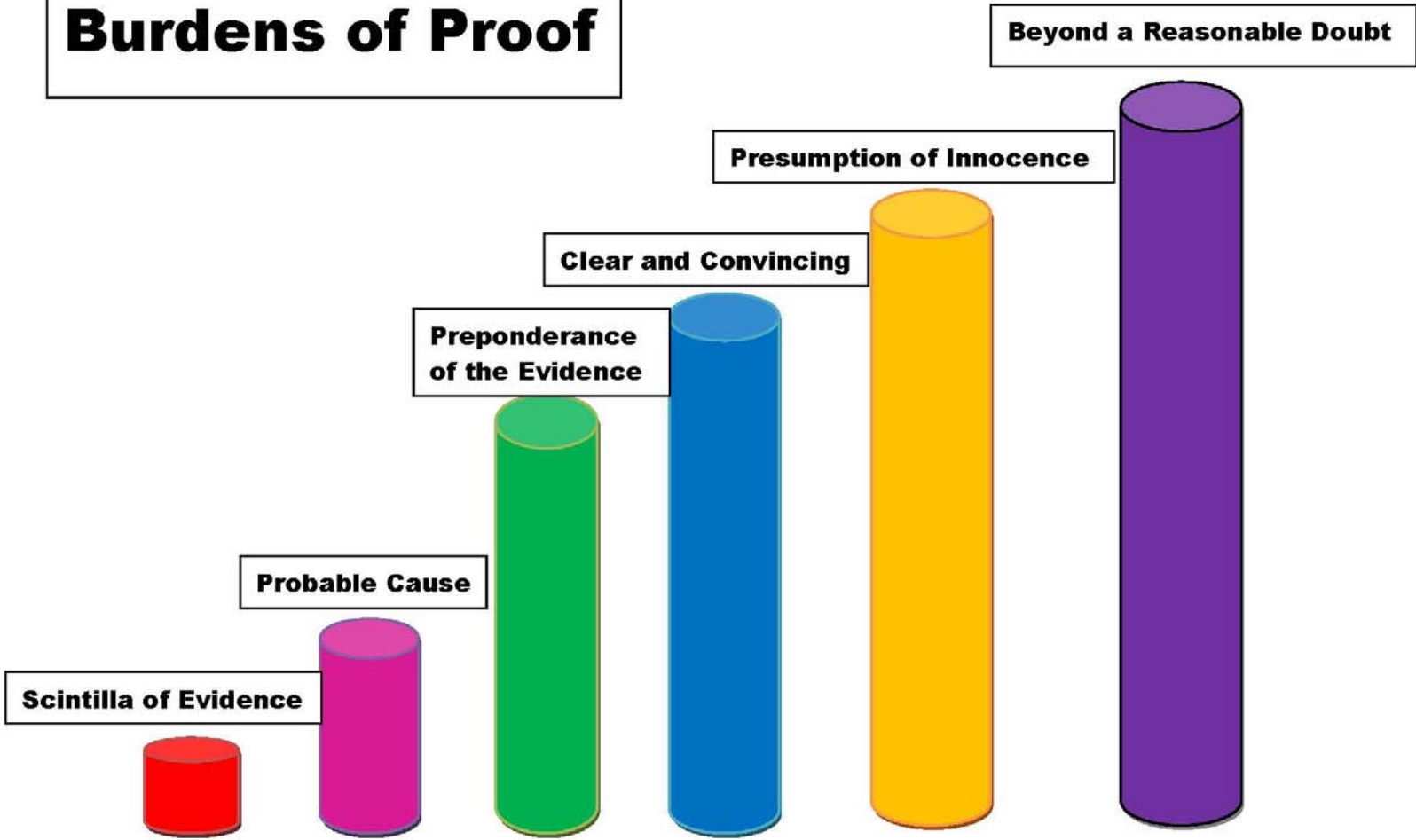
Levels of Proof



BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT



Burdens of Proof



Standards of Proof

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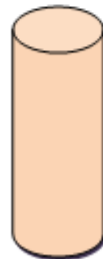
Presumption of Innocence

Not Enough Evidence
to Convict of Crime

Mere
Scintilla of
Evidence



Probable Cause



Preponderance
of the Evidence



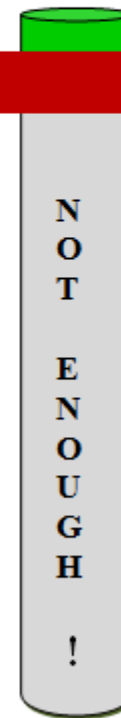
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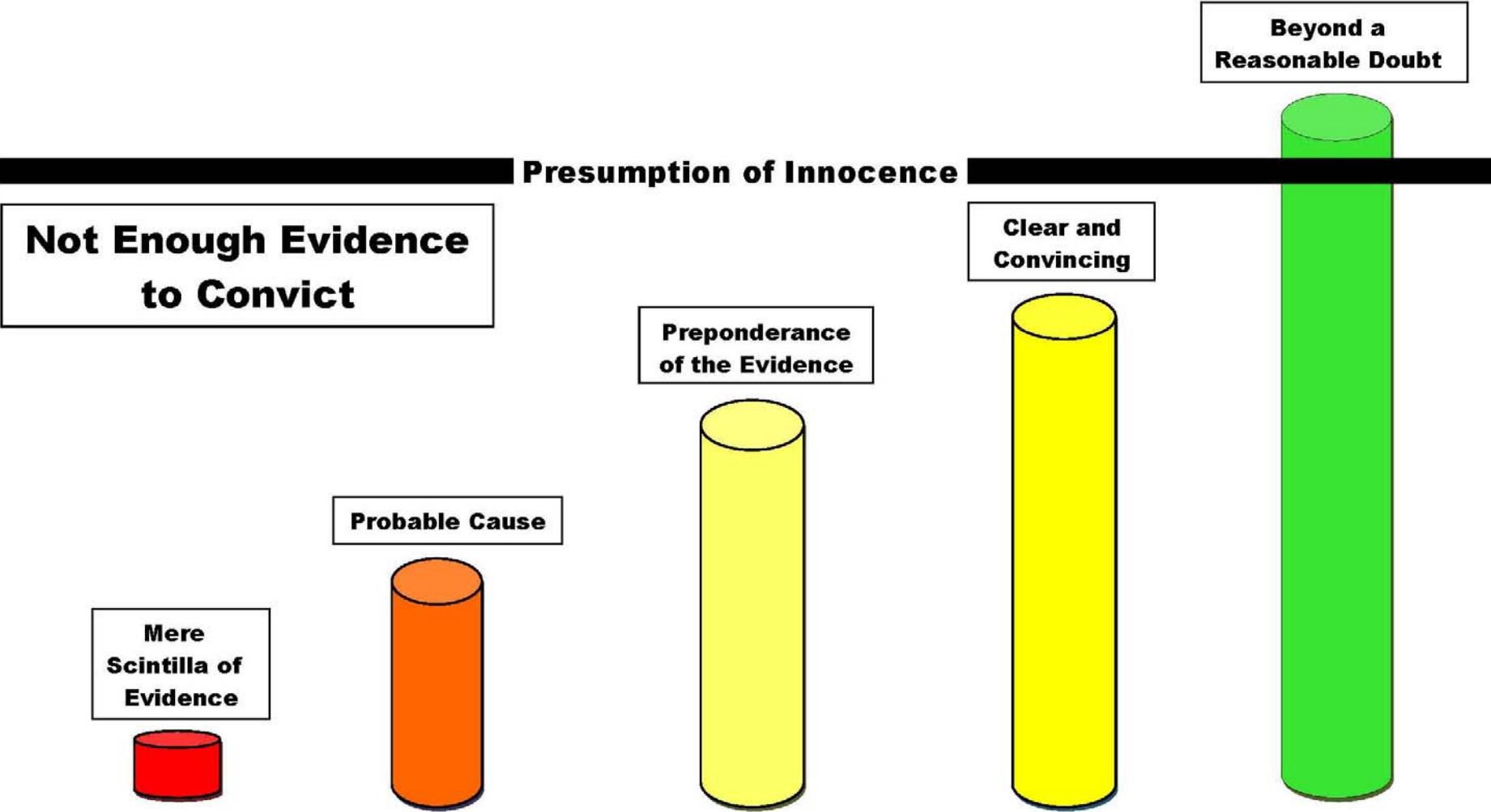
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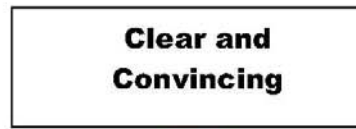
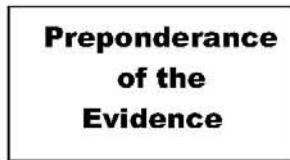
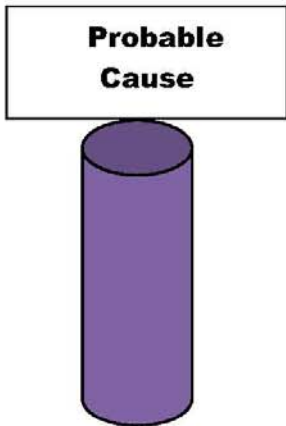
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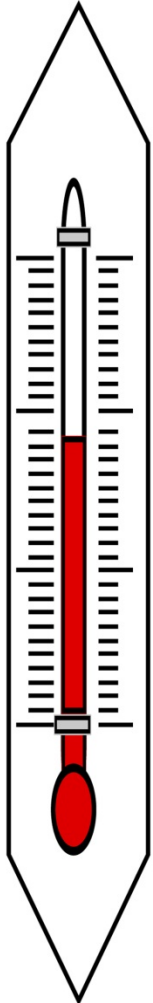
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D e g r e e s o f G u i l t



Guilty, beyond a reasonable doubt..... GUILTY

Guilt is highly likely

Guilt is likely

I think he is probably guilty

I think he is possibly guilty

I suspect that he may be guilty

Perhaps he is guilty

I don't really know if he is guilty or not

He may not be guilty

I think it is possible that he is not guilty

I think it is unlikely that he is guilty

I think he is probably not guilty

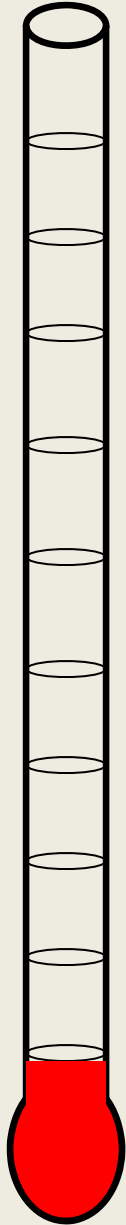
I think it is less than likely he is guilty

I think it is highly unlikely he is guilty

He was proven not guilty

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Degrees of Guilt



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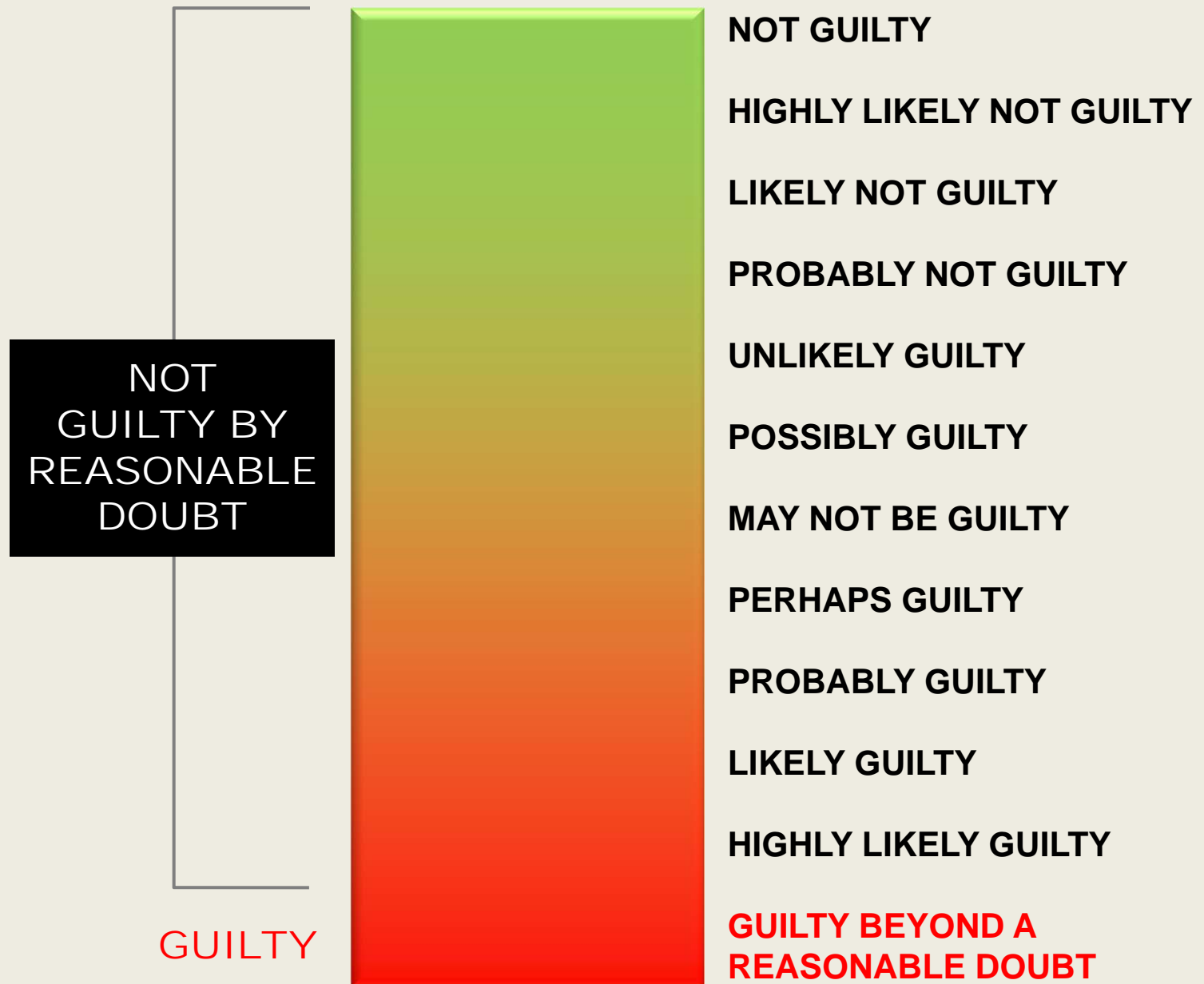
Presumption of Innocence

Reasonable Doubt

Burden of Proof

Guilty	-	Proven Beyond a Reasonable Doubt
Not Guilty	-	Probably Guilty
	-	Possibly Guilty
	-	Maybe Guilty
	-	Likely Guilty
	-	Unlikely Guilty
	-	Not Guilty

BURDEN OF PROOF



Burden of Proof

GUILTY



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← GUILTY BEYOND A
REASONABLE DOUBT

← GUILT HIGHLY LIKELY

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← PROBABLY GUILTY

← POSSIBLY GUILTY

← SUSPECTED

← PERHAPS

← MAY NOT BE

← POSSIBLY NOT

← UNLIKELY

← PROBABLY NOT

← LESS THAN LIKELY

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