

## **BABY STEP EXAMPLE**

### **BASIC VERSION (not baby stepped)**

- Q. You've never submitted your opinions for peer review?  
A. No.

### **BABY STEPPED VERSION**

- Q. You have heard about the peer review process?
- Q. And, by peers, we are talking about people in your area of science?
- Q. With peer review, your colleagues review your scientific opinions?
- Q. It allows you to get valuable feedback from other scientists about what they think of your opinions?
- Q. Feedback about whether your opinions are considered reliable by other experts in your field?
- Q. That kind of feedback can be valuable in the scientific process?
- Q. One form of peer review involves sharing your views at meetings with fellow scientists?
- Q. You tell them what your opinions are?
- Q. And the basis of those opinions?
- Q. This allows your peers to comment on the strengths or weaknesses of your opinions?
- Q. You've been involved in this litigation for five years?
- Q. But during those five years you've never stood in front of a group of your fellow scientists to share with them the opinions you just shared with this jury?
- Q. You've never sought feedback from fellow scientists on whether they think you are right or wrong?
- Q. Another form of peer review is the publication of articles?
- Q. When you submit an article to a journal, the article is generally peer-reviewed before it is published?
- Q. By that, I mean that the editor of the journal circulates the article to various scientists for their comments?

### **BABY STEP VERSION CONTD.**

- Q. By this process, an editor has the opportunity to make sure opinions expressed in the article are valid and supported by the evidence?

- Q. This, too, can be a valuable part of the scientific process?
- Q. It can be a way of weeding out bad science?
- Q. But, you've never submitted a manuscript stating your opinions to a journal for publication?
- Q. In fact, you've never even prepared a manuscript stating the opinions you have expressed to this jury?
- Q. You've never sought feedback from the publication peer-review process concerning your opinions in this case?