

Humanizing Justice: Exploring Remorse and Empathy in Capital Litigation

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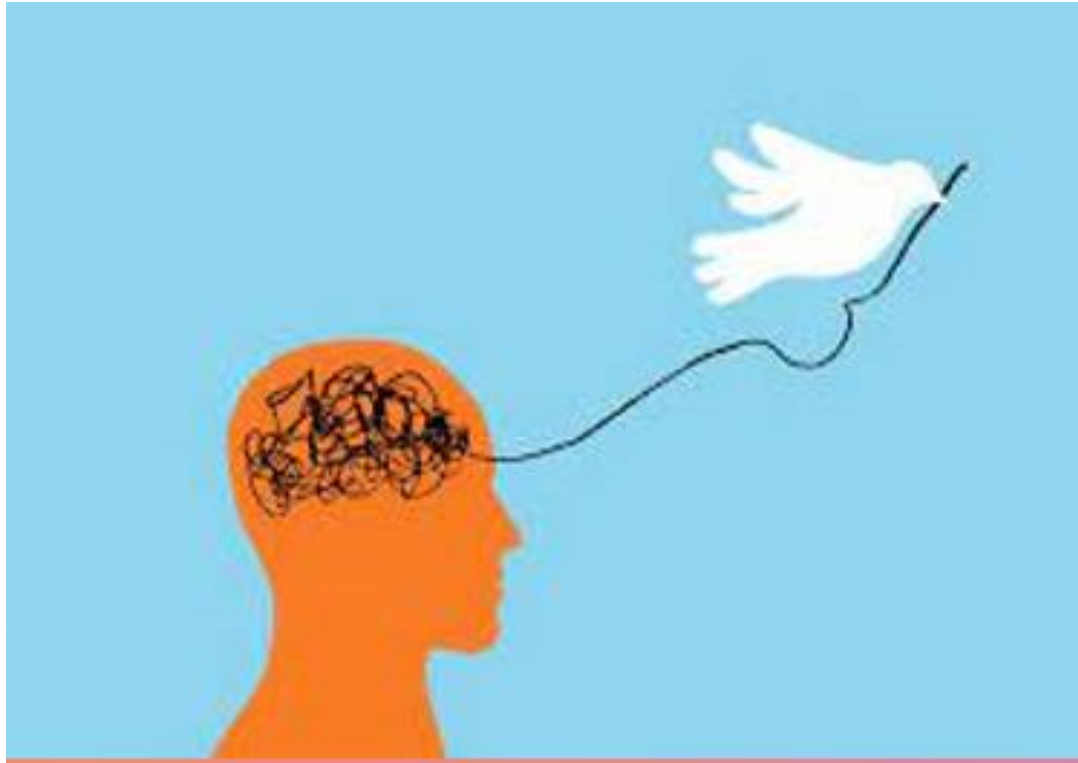
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The longest
journey we can
take is from
our head to
our heart.

-Sioux Nation



Writing Prompts

Let's practice what we ask of our clients

**WHEN WAS THE
LAST TIME YOU
CRIED AND WHY?**

**WHO HAS BEEN
KINDEST TO YOU
IN YOUR LIFE?**

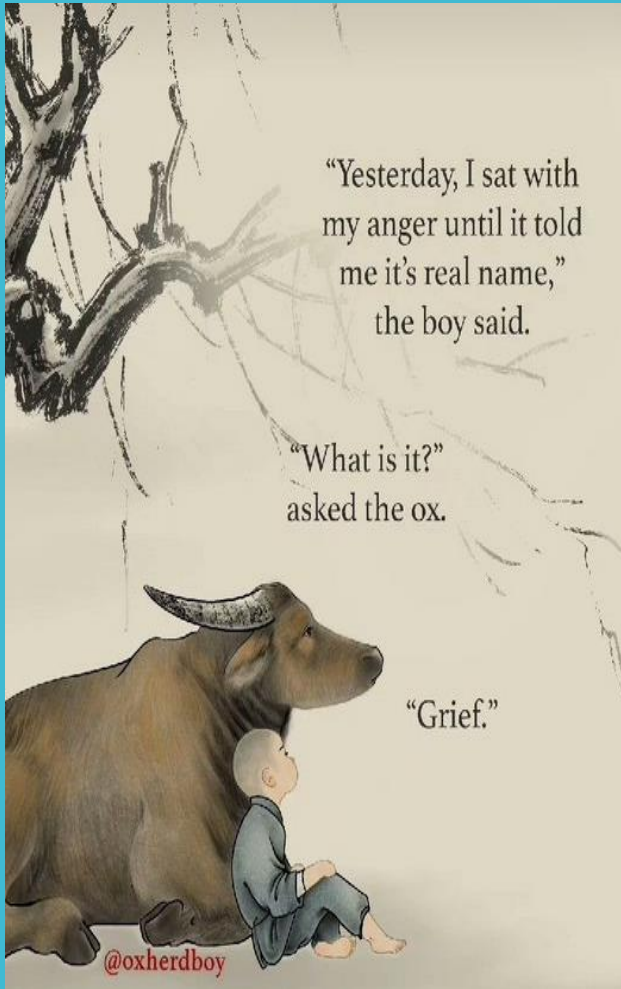
Great Questions

**TELL US ABOUT
A SOURCE OF
GREAT JOY
IN YOUR LIFE.**

**WHEN DID
YOU FIRST
FALL IN LOVE?**

#TALKINGTUESDAY

Story
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Loved Ones

- They didn't show any emotion.
- Don't they care?
- I want my loved one to be seen, to be remembered.
- I've waited 30 years to say this.

People Who Caused Harm

- My lawyer told me to keep my emotions in check.
- What could I have said that meant what I really felt?
- Maybe I really do have a black heart.
- I couldn't find the words.

VISUAL JOURNEY

*Begin in box 1. Draw/write/create where you started in life or where you are now.
Then go to box 6. Draw/write/create where your life is now or where you want to go/grow.
Use the rest of the boxes to illustrate your journey from box 1 to box 6.
You can use this paper or a blank one if you need more space.*

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There is no
greater agony
than bearing an
untold story
inside you.

Maya Angelou





Imagine you could go back in time and sit down with your younger self.

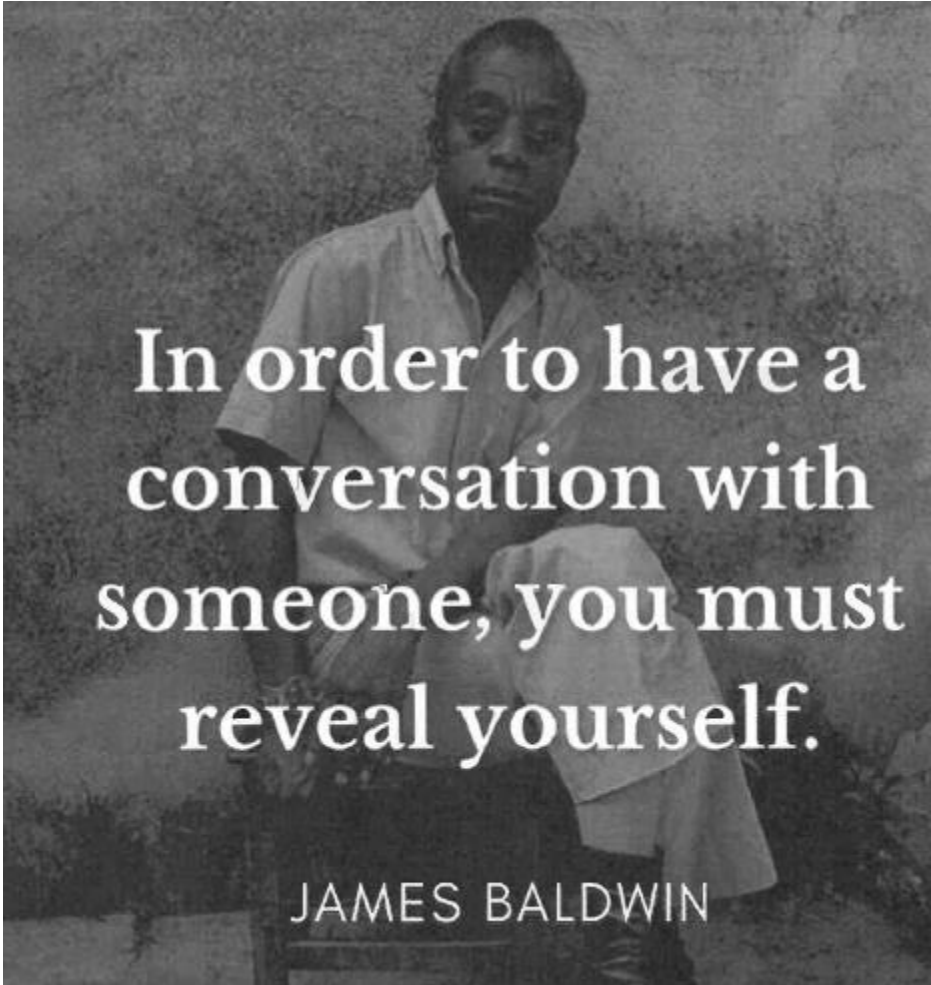
What would you want your younger self to know?
What messages did your younger self need to hear that you can tell them now?
Imagine what your younger self would think about who you are today.

IF the younger me saw the adult me I think the younger me would cry and ask, "why are things always so bad for us?"

The younger me needed to be loved and have family at home so he wasn't always alone and left to make decisions himself. Feed himself, fend for himself.

I know you're afraid, lonely and deeply hurt. I know it seems like no one cares and you have no where to turn but to friends. But it's not true, because they don't know any better than you, and because they are older you believe they know better. They don't! And they can see that you are willing to do anything they ask to prove yourself.

I'm so sorry I wasn't able to help you. I was too embarrassed to admit my fears of being criticized or ridiculed that I refused to step out of my comfort zone, and in the process you were hurt.

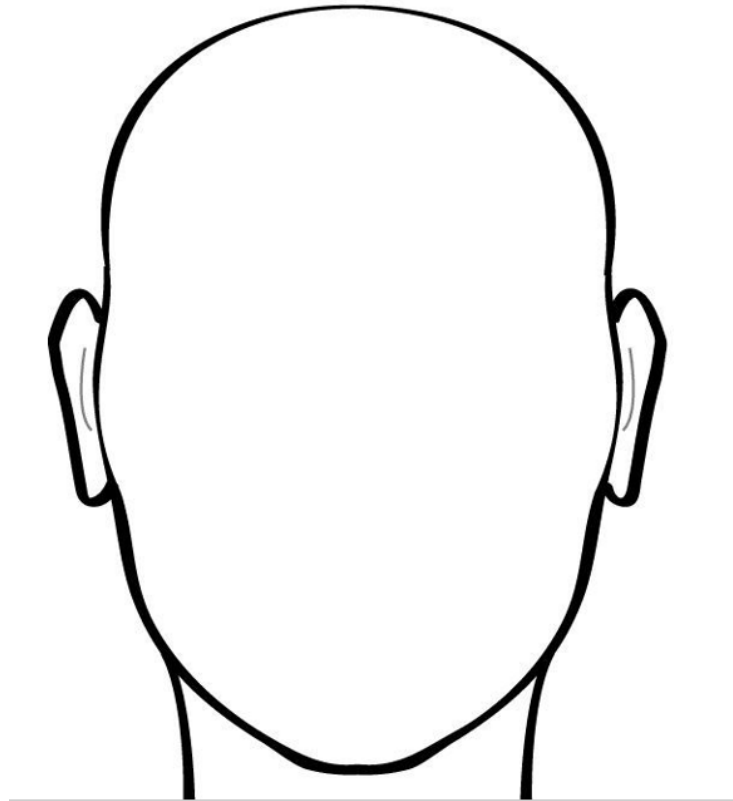


In order to have a
conversation with
someone, you must
reveal yourself.

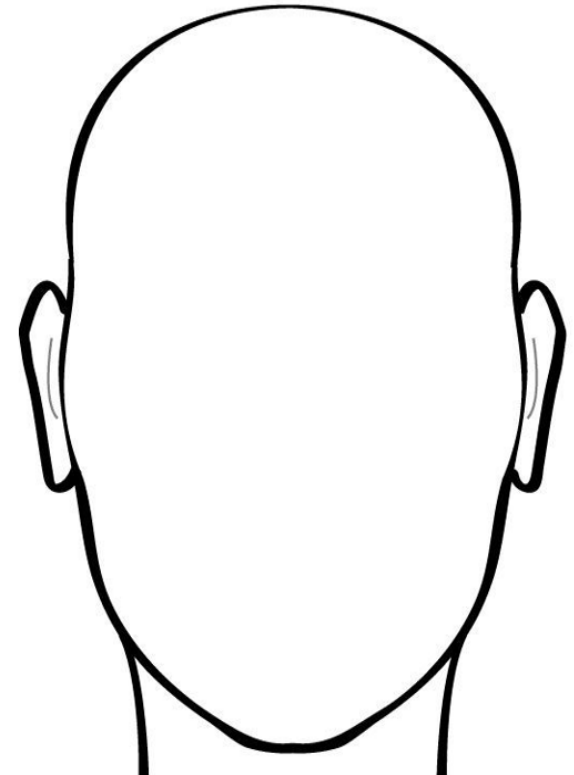
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Masks:
the person
seen
and
the hidden self.

Draw/Write/Create
WHAT PEOPLE SEE WHEN THEY LOOK AT ME

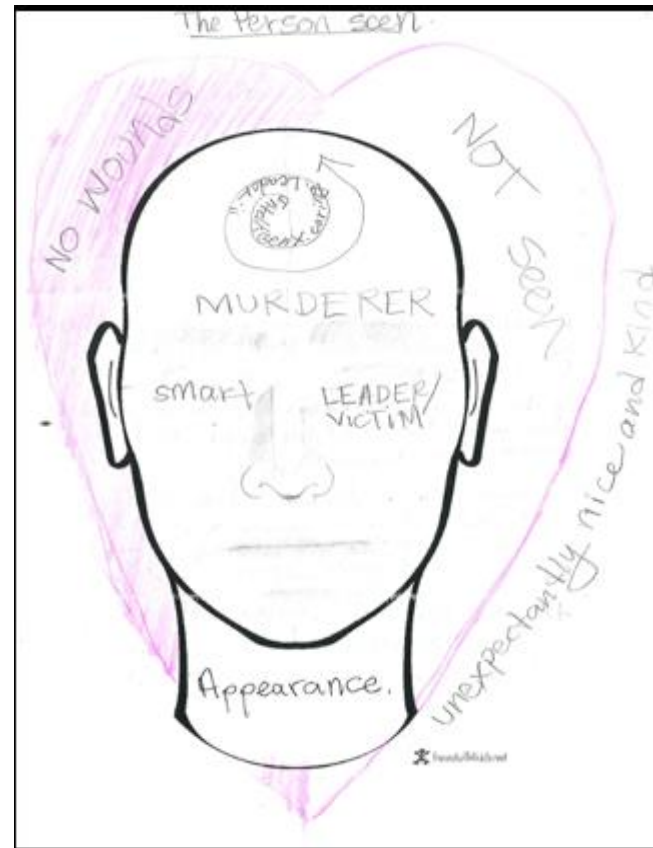


Draw/Write/Create
THE INSIDE ME THAT OTHERS CAN'T SEE

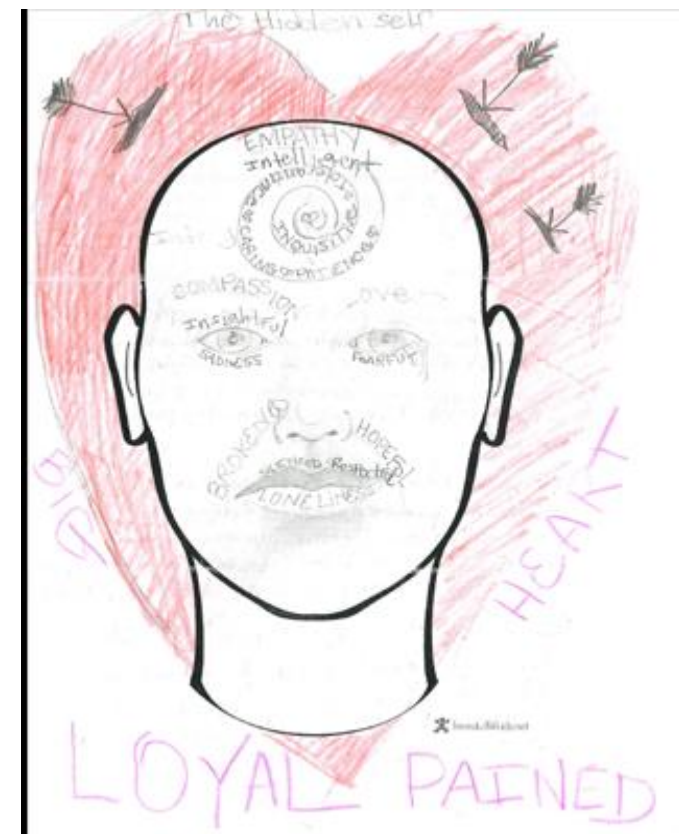


On this outline write/draw/create what you present to the world. Use whatever colors, shapes, words, symbols you want. As you are creating, try and keep track of what feelings and thoughts are coming up for you.

The Person Seen

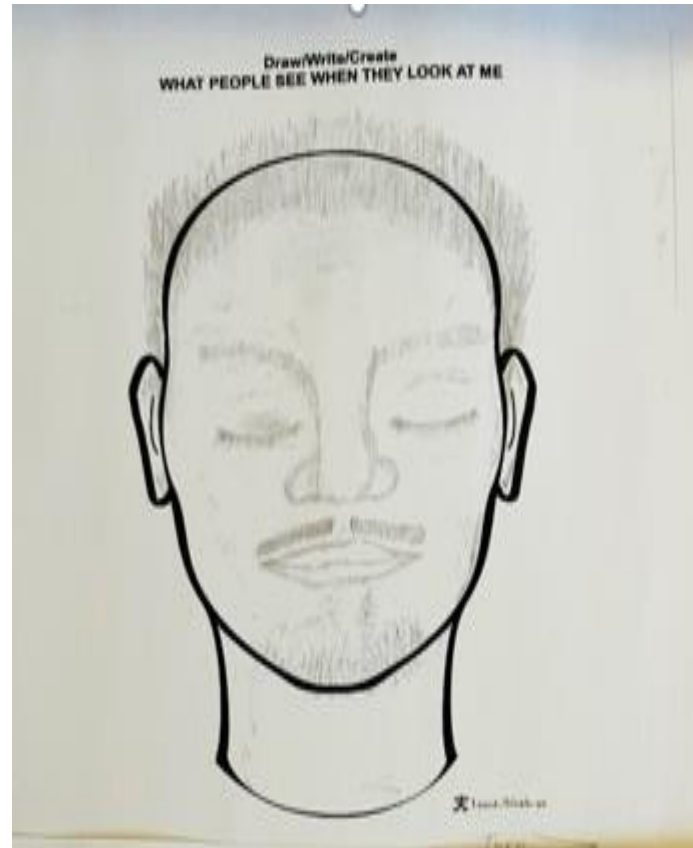


The Hidden Self

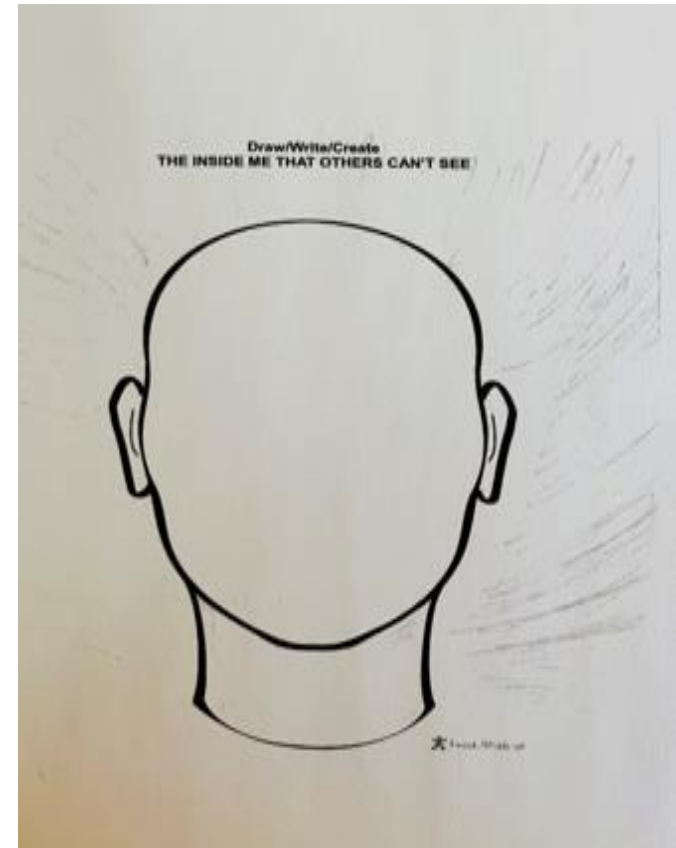


On this outline draw/write/create what people don't see, the parts of you that are hidden. Use whatever colors, shapes, words, symbols you want. As you are creating, try and keep track of what feelings and thoughts are coming up for you.

The Person Seen



The Hidden Self



Companionship:

* invites people to be their authentic selves.
Alan Wolfelt

Accompaniment:

* a shoulder to
shoulder stance of
walking together.
Jesuit practice



The human soul doesn't want to be advised or fixed or saved. It simply wants to be witnessed — to be seen, heard and companioned exactly as it is.

Parker Palmer