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- § 2:8. General conduct of the judge
- § 3:1. Applications and motions
- § 9:4. Burden of proof in certain situations or kinds of civil cases
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- § 30:32. Suppression of evidence obtained through invalid search warrant
- § 38:11. Sentencing hearing and allocution in criminal cases
- § 38:14. Appeals in civil cases

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Judge Morris served as president of the Omaha Bar Association and was a founding member and served two terms as president of the Omaha chapter of the American Inns of Court. He is a former Adjunct Professor of Law at Creighton University School of Law, where he taught trial practice. He received a law degree (JD) and master's degree in business administration (MBA) from Creighton University, and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) from the University of Nebraska Omaha. He is the author of *Federal Tort Claims* and has written the annual edition of that treatise (also available on Westlaw) since its publication in 1993. He has updated and reissued this book, *Nebraska Trials*, annually since its publication in 1995.

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