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#### Philip Guston

THE STUDIO, 1969

Oil on canvas, 48 in. × 42 in. (121.9 cm × 106.7 cm). Private collection, New York. Courtesy McKee Gallery, New York.

"There is something ridiculous and miserly," wrote Guston after forsaking Abstract Expressionism, "in the myth that we inherit from abstract art—that painting is autonomous, pure and for itself ... painting is *impure*. It is the adjustment of impurities which forces its continuity." Surrounded by a sense of crisis—of an America that seemed to be tearing itself apart in the racial and political dissensions of the 1970s—Guston came up with a "dumb" but very knowing figuration, using as his core image of brutality the ludicrous and menacing figure of a Klansman in a hood—the Klansman, he suggests here, who lurks in all people, including artists.

#### TIDBITS

#### ABBE SMITH IN THE NEWS AGAIN

Joe Beeler reports: [A] <u>Batson</u> story in *New York Times* "Exclusion of Blacks from Juries Raises Renewed Scrutiny - NYTimes.com, quoted our **Abbe Smith**.

Some say allowing fewer peremptory challenges - three, say, instead of the 12 each side gets in Louisiana - could combat the worst abuses.

**Abbe Smith**, a law professor at Georgetown, would go further. "Simply put," she wrote last year in *The Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics*, "prosecutors have abused the privilege of exercising peremptory challenges and should lose it."

#### Friends:

I was scheduled for arraignment today 8/26/15), in a date rape case involving a nineteen year old Belgian foreign exchange student and a local seventeen year old girl.

Yesterday we signed a deferred prosecution agreement on a case already being reported in Europe. Only the media will regret that result. I had around 100 letters from Butte, Mt and Belgium, a favorable evaluation, and a prosecutor who didn't want to help promote my practice, because I play to win, and intend as much.

Bottom line-prosecutor blamed victims' advocate and cops for pushing the girl in a direction she didn't want to go. I'm just sorry not to slam dunk this on the "big court".

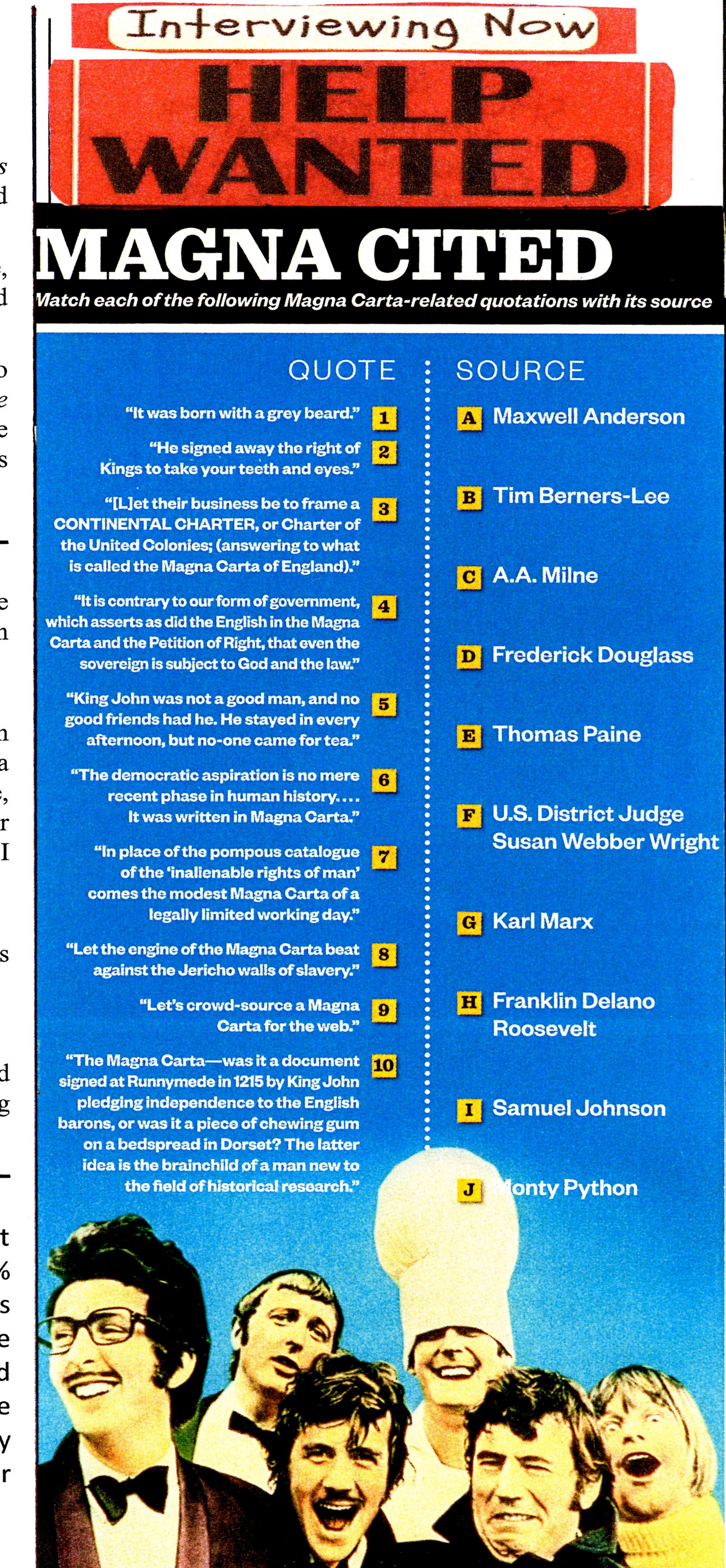
Thanks. See you in Santa Fe; congratulate me there. I send all my "wins" to LaCheen, but he doesn't report fixing tickets (Chesnoff).

Chuck Watson

I got them to drop this rape case on August 1st without it being filed. It was a 25-40 or life at 70% parole eligibility in this state, and the crime is allegedly "strict liability." It helped that the police had already discounted the girl's version and helped him get out of jail after 3 days OR. I persuaded the prosecutor that strict liability wasn't necessarily going to fly anymore. I got this case after the former lawyer just sat on his hands.

The best wins sometimes get no publicity at all.

John Wesley Hall



ANSWERS: 1-1 Samuel Johnson on the veneration of Magna Carta 2-A Maxwell Anderson, lyrics to "The Ballad of Magna Carta," 1940 3-E Thomas Paine, in Common Sense, 1776 4-F U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright, rejecting President Bill Clinton's argument that he had immunity from Paula Jones' sexual harasement lawsuit, 1994 5-C A.A. Milne, Now We Are Six, 1927 6-H Franklin Delano Roosevelt, inaugural address, 1941 7-G Karl Marx, on Britain's Ten Hours Act, 1848 8-D Frederick Douglass, 1854 9-B Tim Berners-Lee, 2014 10-J Monty Python, "The Silliest Interview We've Ever Had," 1972

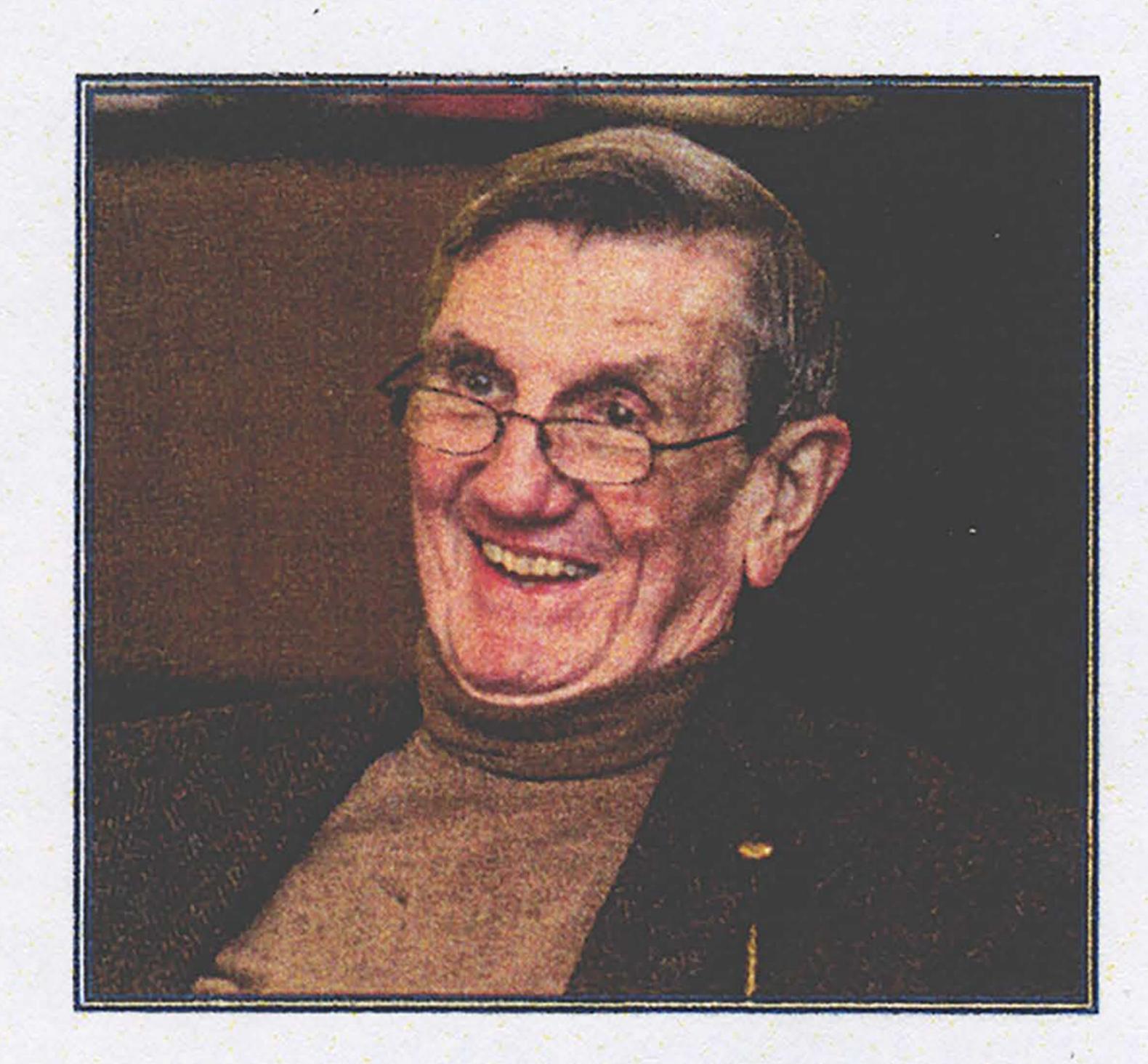
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# Monrae H. Freedman

(1928-2015)

A CELEBRATION OF HIS LIFE AND WORK



SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 6-8:30 P.M.

Monroe Freedman left an indelible mark on the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University.

As the Law School's second dean from 1973-1977 and as a professor until the time of his death, he helped to define Hofstra Law and establish our reputation as a place where social justice and ethical lawyering form our backbone. His towering figure, both literally and the best legal These conference Judges Ethics," Adversary System the Edge."

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figuratively, resounded through our hallways and impacted generations of Hofstra Law graduates.

His extraordinary accomplishments in bringing legal ethics to the forefront and creating a field of study where none previously existed are unparalleled and respected

by all in the legal community. In the classroom and beyond, he was what is known today as a "disruptor." He helped us to question the status quo and made us think deeply about the complexity of legal representation, particularly for those marginalized by society.

Along with founding Hofstra Law's Institute for the Study of Legal Ethics, Monroe created a program of conferences that addressed some of the most fascinating and controversial legal ethical issues faced by lawyers and the legal system and brought

the best legal minds to campus. These conferences included "Judging Judges Ethics," "Lawyers Ethics in an Adversary System" and "Lawyering at the Edge."

Monroe received many honors throughout his long and accomplished career, including the American Bar Association's highest

award for professionalism, in recognition of "a lifetime of original and influential scholarship in the field of lawyers' ethics," and a Martin Luther King Award for "decades of work to advance human dignity and social justice." Peers in the field of lawyers' ethics have called him "the conscience of

our profession" and have said, "If we had to pick the one person who first created modern legal ethics as a serious academic specialty, it would be Monroe Freedman."

No Hofstra Law professor has touched as many lives as Monroe Freedman. There were those who agreed with him and those who did not; however, all admired and respected him.

To forever memorialize Monroe's name at Hofstra Law and in recognition of his work, the Law School has named the Institute for the Study of Legal Ethics after him.

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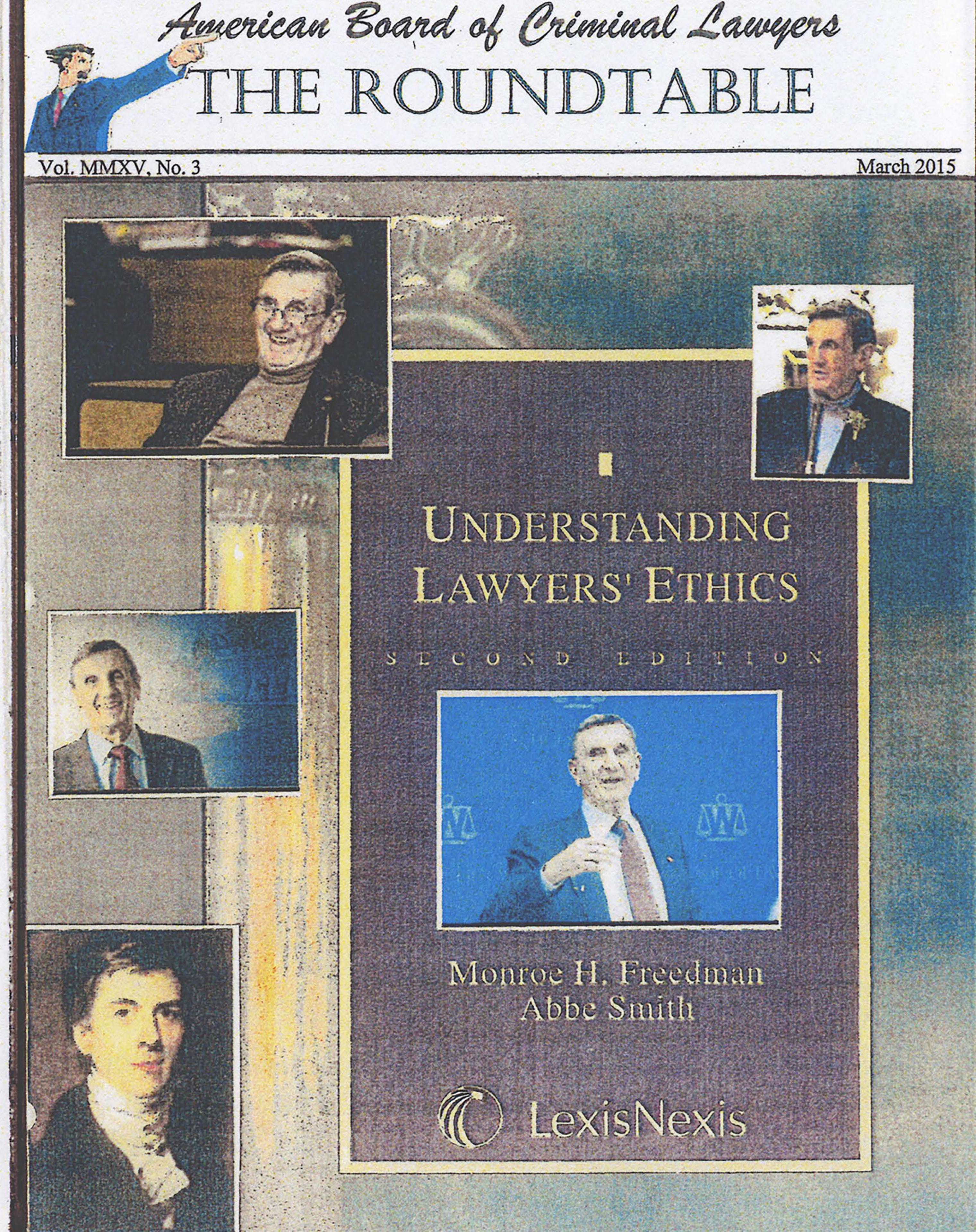
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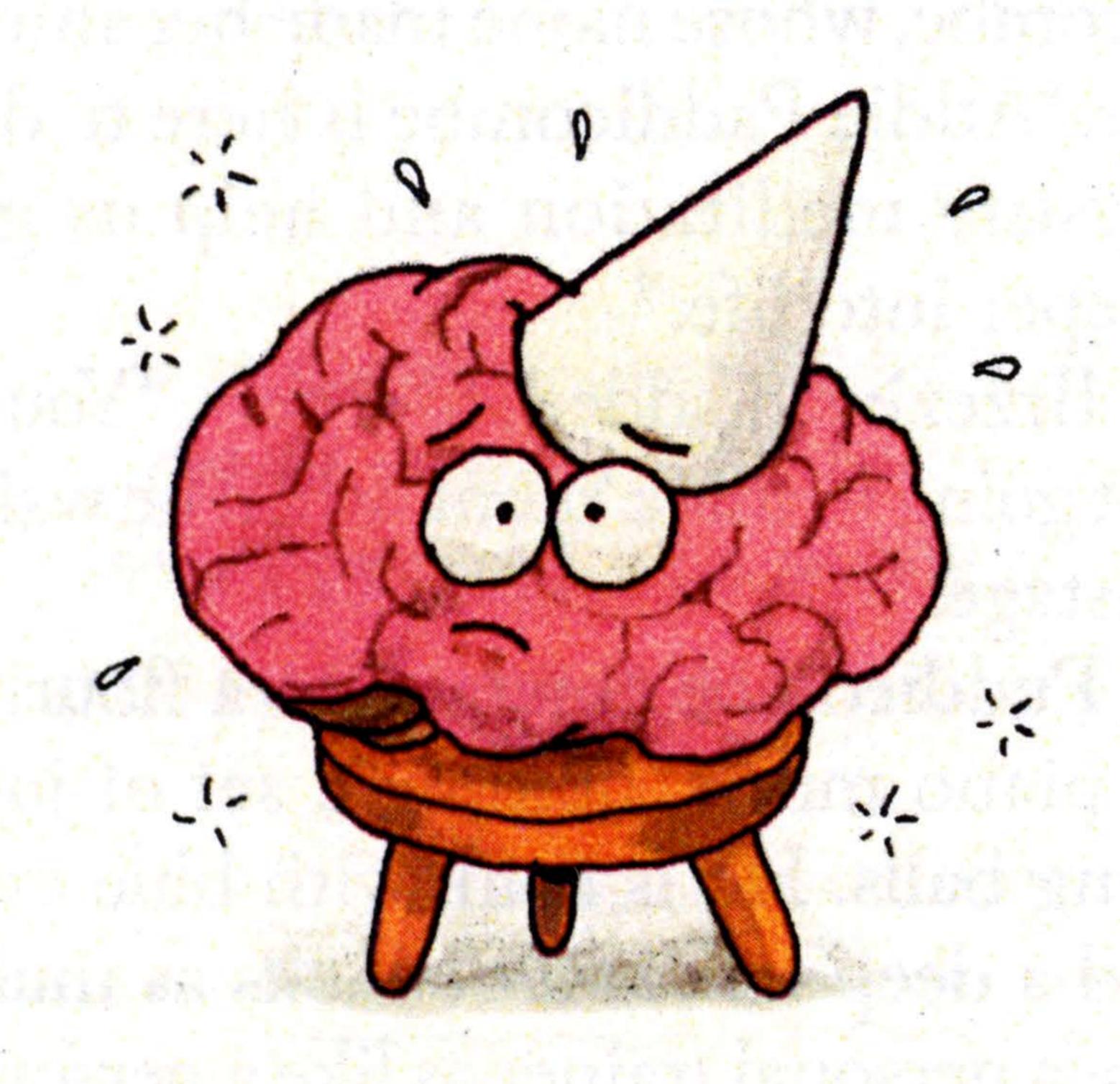
## LET'S BE LESS STUPID AND OLD

BY PATRICIA MARX

Directions: You have two minutes to answer the following questions. If you do not have a timer, start counting.

#### WHAT IS YOUR MENTAL AGE?

1. What's the word for the stuff you sprinkle on your food but it's not pepper? No, not salt, but like salt but supposedly better for you because it doesn't have salt in it.



- 2. What's that thing that you put in the thing? The thing you take pictures with. That thing. What's the thing you put inside that?
- 3. What's the car that's not a Toyota Camry?
- 4. Who's the guy who isn't Robert De Niro?
- 5. What is the little plastic person you used to play with called?
- 6. How do you spell the drink that's made with rum, lime juice, and sugar, and comes with a tiny umbrella?
- 7. Off the wagon? On the wagon? Which is the good one, and by good one I mean the bad one that's not fun?
- 8. Why is there a Post-it on the cutting board?

Answers:

- 1. No Salt salt substitute. Mrs. Dash is also accepted.
- 2. Memory card. "Film" is not accepted. Get with it.
  - 3. Honda Accord
- 4. Al Pacino. Half a point for Harvey Keitel or James Caan.
  - 5. Barbie
  - 6. Daiquiri

- 7. I don't remember.
- 8. I thought you put it there.

Scoring: One point for every correct answer.

- 0: Older than the hills
- 1-3: Same age as Father Time's uncle
- 4-5: If you took your gray matter to "Antiques Roadshow," they'd be impressed.
  - 6-7: Younger than springtime
- 8: Will you write the rest of this article?

#### FUN WITH MATH: WORD PROBLEMS

1. The Pomegranates are remodelling their bathroom. The contractor promises that he and his assistant, Drago, can do the job in fifteen days. Drago works three times as fast as the contractor. On Day Two, Drago is stricken with a hangnail and cannot work. The contractor hires Buster and Lester, who together can work one-fourth as fast as Drago worked. Buster and Lester put the toilet in upside down. The resulting flood spreads to the kitchen. The contractor says that redoing the kitchen and replacing the drowned dog will take six times as long as the bathroom. The contractor fires Buster and Lester and employs a team whose religious habits permit them to work only on days that begin with the letter "T." The first day on the job, the team works ten times as fast as the contractor. Every day thereafter, it works half as fast as the day before. The Pomegranates divorce. Mrs. Pomegranate is institutionalized. Will the bathroom be painted by the time Mrs. Pomegranate gets out of the hospital?

Answer: Yes, but when she sees that it is painted Crème Fraîche instead of Fraîche Crème, she will check herself back in.

2. Liz Taylor has been married three times. No, not that Liz Taylor, another Liz Taylor. She received a modest set-

tlement from each ex. The amounts, in chronological order, were as follows: \$1,000, \$8,000, \$27,000. She put this money into a fund to pay for her twins' college education. Her children will be attending Sarah Lawrence, one of the most expensive colleges in the country. The price tag is \$65,242 per year, and that doesn't include books, though maybe they're not necessary. Child support? There is none. It's a long story. Considering extras and assuming that the price tag goes up, let's say Liz Taylor is going to have to spend \$600,000 over four years. How many more times must Liz Taylor get divorced?

Answer: Three

### WHAT WAS I DOING UPSTAIRS THAT MADE ME DECIDE TO GO DOWNSTAIRS?

You walk purposefully toward the kitchen, bathroom, or Oval Office, and on arrival you wonder, Why am I here? Did you come for a paper towel? Lip balm? Are you supposed to sign the telecommunications bill? In each scenario below, you wind up in a room, searching for something, though you no longer know what. Select the most likely object. There are no incorrect answers, but one is more correct than the others.

- 1. You turn on the TV to watch your favorite program. During a commercial, you put the remote in your pocket and run down to the garage. What for?
  - (a) Fertilizer
  - (b) Snowblower
  - (c) Venison haunch in spare freezer
  - (d) Garage-door opener
- 2. Uh-oh. Why did the lights go out? You make your way down to the basement, but, um, what is it you are here to look for?
  - (a) Flashlight
  - (b) Hand-crank radio
  - (c) Fuse
- (d) Old Gladys Knight & the Pips album

Answers:

- 1. (d) Garage-door opener. The batteries in the remote are dead, but luckily the AAAs in the garage-door opener will work.
- 2. (d) The album. The lights came back on—how else could you look?—and now it's time to paaa-rrrr-ty! •



CLAIM TO FAME	REALNAME	BREED	PAW NOTE
Asta in The Thin Man (1934)	Skippy	Wire fox terrier	Asta was succeeded in the popular movie series by his son, Asta Jr.
Benji in <i>Benji</i> (1974)	Higgins (A)	Mixed	Higgins' daughter, Benjean, inherited the role.
Eddie Crane on Frasier (1993 to 2004)	Moose	Jack Russell terrier	Moose's son Enzo took over as Eddie in the final seasons. They also shared the title role in the movie My Dog Skip (2000).
Flash on The Dukes of Hazard (1979 to 1985)	Sandy	Bassett hound	Sandy's stunt dog was a stuffed lookalike named Flush.
Lassie in Lassie Come Home (1943)	Pal	Rough collie	Pal's descendants took on the role in later years, including a popular TV show.
Old Yeller in Old Yeller (1957)	Spike	Mixed (Lab- rador retriever and mastiff)	Spike's trainer purchased him from a shelter for \$3.
Rin Tin Tin in many silent films (1920s)	Rin Tin Tin	German	The original Rin Til Tin was discovered as a starving pupp on a World War I battlefield.
Snoopy as himself in the <i>Peanuts</i> TV specials [1965 to today]	Snoopy		Cartoonist Charles Schulz based Snoopy on his boyhood dog, Spike.
Toto in The Wizard of Oz (1939)	Terry	Cairn terrier	Terry became so famous as Toto that her name was officially changed.
Vincent in <i>Lost</i> (2000 to 2010)	Madison, later joined by Pono	Labrador	Before her acting career, Madison trained as a tracking dog.
Wishbone in the PBS children's series (1995 to 1998)	Soccer	terrier	Soccer also had an active career in do food commercials

Uggie published his

"autobiography" in

2012 and retired

from show biz.

Jack Russell

terrier

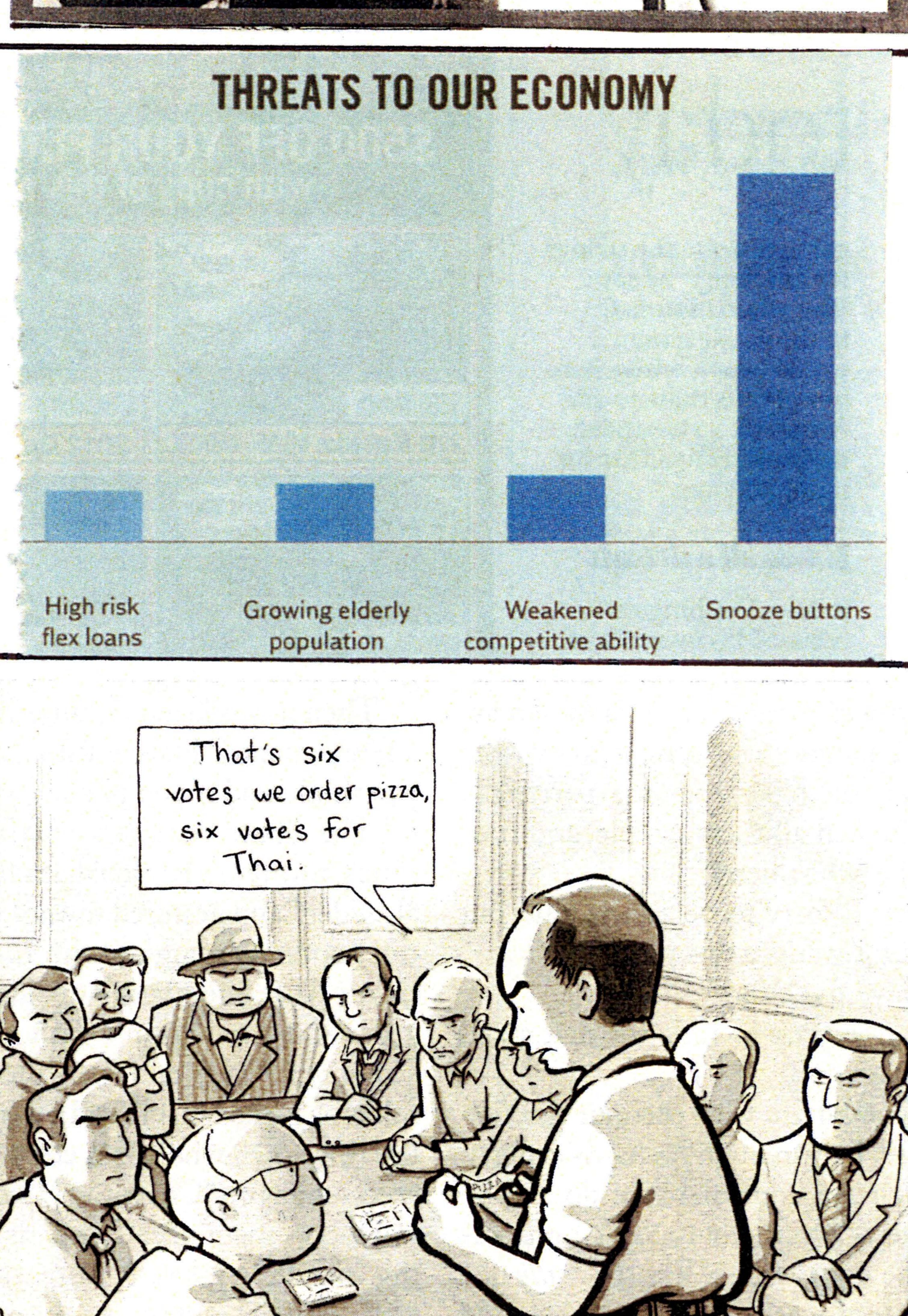
Uggie

in The Artist

(2011)

Unnamed dog





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