



Team Victor

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Opening Statement - Brighton

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, we are here to defend my client Mr. Frankenstein. Victor is an intelligent young man with a very big heart. He has taken on many roles, such as a caring husband, a virtuous best friend, a creative scientist and learner, and last but not least, a loving family member. My client spent most of his life trying to advance science and to better mankind. He always read books on how to bring the dead back to life and that inspired him to experiment. Throughout his life, Victor Frankenstein has dealt with many tragedies. Right before he left for college, my client lost his mother to Scarlet Fever. Losing his mother who he was very close to was not easy for Victor to cope with. Death can cause distress and misery on even the strongest of people. So distraught with the death of his mother Victor turned to science, the elixir of life in particular. He began moving his studies in the direction of life, leading him to create the monster. He was driven by his desire to help others to not have to go through the loss of someone close.

The next chapter of his life was based off of this one tragic event. Ladies and gentlemen, let me introduce you to Victor Frankenstein. My client is being charged with malpractice and negligence, which is leading him to physical and emotional distress. As for the accusation of malpractice, my client was just trying to advance the field of medical science. If Victor is liable for improper practice then so are many other brilliant people such as Da Vinci, Albert Einstein, and Aristotle. My client is just like Da Vinci. Leonardo Da Vinci was forced to renounce his work and was put under house arrest for the rest of his life, all because he challenged the way things were taught. Victor Frankenstein is just misunderstood by the people around him. I strongly believe that the Plaintiff drop their lawsuit immediately. In fact, my client should be counter suing by reason of harassment, in which your client repeatedly harassed my client

beginning with the death of young William Frankenstein. The creation appeared periodically throughout Victor's time at home and away.

The creature may argue that this is all Victor's fault because he is the father and should have taught him better. According to the Merriam Webster Dictionary, a father is defined as, "A male person whose sperm unites with an egg, resulting in the conception of a child." The creature does not have the same DNA as Victor or any of his qualities. Therefore, Victor is NOT the father of the creature. He created the Creature by experimenting to advance science. My opponents will try and prove that Victor is his father but they have no relation at all.

To conclude, Victor technically should be on trial suing the creature. Victor is both physically and emotionally distressed because of the creature. The creature wants to argue he is emotionally distressed yet he was not the one who was tortured by anyone for the remainder of his life, he did not lose his little brother, he did not lose his wife on his wedding night, and he did not lose his father from the agony all of the deaths and depression he felt. Please keep this in mind when taking into account of the actions of both my client and the creature. Victor was only creating this life with best intentions to better the science of today and help doctors and physicians in the future to know more about how the body functions and how the power of lightning and electricity can be united with a body to bring it back to life. He wanted to make sure no one would have to go through the pain, sorrow, and misery he had to deal with after the loss of his mother. Victor never meant to create a killer. He only meant to create a science experiment. Thank you for your time, and I can assure you that when this trial is over my client, Victor Frankenstein, will be acquitted of all charges.

Direct Examination Questions

John Vincent- Robert Walton Questions.

1.) How did you meet Victor Frankenstein?

A: I met him on the north pole

2.) When you met Mr. Frankenstein, how was he acting?

A: Panicky, paranoid, very strange.

3.) is it true that he soon died after you met him?

A: Yes, after he told me the story about his life

4.) Why did you take Victor onto your ship?

A: He seemed very sick and in need of care.

5.) Did you see the creature?

A: Yes.

6.) How can you describe the creature?

A: Hideous, Terrifying.

7.) What were you doing up at the north pole?

A: Looking for a passageway through the north pole

8.) Did you see victor as a friend? Why?

A: No, I only just met him but he seemed like someone I would become friends with.

9.) If Victor Frankenstein was still alive, where do you think he would be?

A: Most likely at his late wife's burial site.

10.) Has told you the story of what happen? Do you believe he is mentally sane?

A: Yes, He seems sane, he was just very ambitious.

Jessica Camera Questions for the Ethicist:

1. Can you state your name and your occupation for the court?

My name is Jessica Camera and I am an ethicist.

2. Can you explain what an ethicist is?

An ethicist is someone who knows the difference between right and wrong.

3. Is there any time that murder is acceptable?

No

4. Do you see anything wrong with Victor creating life?

No

5. Should Victor Frankenstein be held responsible for the actions of his creation?

No,

Can you explain.

Victor should not be held responsible for the actions of his creation because he had nothing but good intents. And he wasn't the one killing people.

6. Do you think Victor Frankenstein is an ethical person?

Yes I do.

7. What are some alternatives one can take to become ethical?

To become ethical people can go above and beyond to help better someone's life.

8. Are you ethical?

I am an ethical person.

Ethicist:

What is considered morally wrong?

Something morally wrong is killing so many people for no apparent reason. Also killing a poor innocent child.

What did Victor do that was unethical?

Nothing he only did things to benefit mankind.

Would one wanting to accomplish a goal but not consider the consequences be unethical?

No because being tired and disoriented does not make you unethical. It makes you a human being.

What is one ethical act Victor displayed?

One ethical act that Victor displayed was studying hard trying to bring back the loved ones of people who died.

Would you say Victor is ethical?

Yes.

Can you please explain?

Victor did not set out to be evil all he wanted to do was benefit the world and help the people who suffer from their losses. Victor wanted to do something good. He never thought about hurting people.

Team Victor- Medical Expert Sean Marie Devine

10 Questions

1. What is your occupation/ profession?
Behavior Analyst
2. What is your educational background?
Graduate of medical school
3. What degrees/ licenses / certificates do you have?
Doctorate in applied Behavior Analysis, Certified Behavior Analyst
4. How many cases involving this matter have you handled?
7 cases in relation to negligence
5. How many years have you worked in this field?
15 years
6. Have you examined/ interviewed Victor Frankenstein?
Yes
7. Have you reviewed medical records, documents, court reports / statements for this case?
Yes
8. Have you made a diagnosis/made a conclusion/formed an opinion regarding this case?

Yes, Victor is diagnosed with Emotional Behavioral disorder (EBD).
9. What are the symptoms of this disorder?
 - *Difficulty with interpersonal relationships, including relationships with teachers and peers*, explaining Victor's remoteness from his family, professors, and best friend Henry Chervil
 - *Feelings of fear or anxiety towards personal matters*- Victor feels anxiety and fear when Elizabeth and Henry reach out to him
other identifications for this disorder include:
 - being preoccupied
 - demonstrate self-injurious behaviors
10. What do you think caused this disorder for Victor?
I believe that this disorder was caused by The Creature.
11. Is this technique/theory generally accepted in the scientific community of [engineers/physicians /coroners/other]?
12. Do you believe that Victor went about creating the creature in a professional manor?
Do you believe that Victor is guilty of malpractice?
Do you believe that Victor put that creature together in the goal of causing him physical distress?

yes

Victor's behavior conveys that he never intended any harm through his experiments, he simply wanted to better mankind. Because The Creature inflicted this disorder upon Victor,

Victor Frankenstein's Questions(Joe)

Questions

-I planned letting him live.

What sparked your passion for science?

What were your motives in creating the creature? To better benefit mankind

1-Why did you create him

2-what are your ethics behind this

3-did you think of the consequences behind this

4-how do you treat your wife

5-with what intentions did you pursue this goal

6-Did you do this by yourself

7-how would this have benefited anyone

8-what benefits were you expecting to have from this

9-during the process of creating the Creature, was anyone hurt

10-Did you yourself hurt anyone in the pursuit of this

Did you ever intend deaths to occur after creating the Monster? No

How did you feel after the deaths? Devastated

Did the creature follow you around?

Did the creature make you feel on edge, or worried for your life as well as others?

Answers

1-To better mankind

2-that it would help mankind

3-i only believed there to be benefits from this

4-I treat her wonderfully

5-With the intentions to help mankind, help bring people back, increase basic functions of people

6-Yes

7-if someone lost a limb, I could re-attach one, give people better genes to help benefit future generations

8-to give people the best genes and make the future generations of people better

9-no one was harmed

10-no one was harmed

William Frankenstein:

How are you connected to Victor? I am his brother

How old are you? 10

Could you briefly describe your encounter with the creature? I noticed a dark tall figure lurking in the shadows, before I could react I found myself being strangled & man handled by the creature until I stopped breathing

What caused him to attack? There has to be a probability that the threat will be carried out or else the threat I supposedly made is completely irrelevant

Why did you run away from the creature? He was tall and lurking over me

Were you able to stop the creature from attacking you? No

Would you say the fault of your death is due to Victor? And explain No I would not say my death is victors fault, yes he may have created the monster who killed me but that was not his intentions upon creation. The monster killed me with his own intentions. The lord created all of life but with life comes survival of the fittest, it's a given, it goes hand in hand.

Nicole Pratt - Witness Questions -

Elizabeth Lavazza/ Frankenstein:

- 1.) How did you meet victor? I met Victor when his family adopted me and saved me from poverty.
- 2.) What kind of man do you think Victor was? I think Victor was a kindhearted and ambitious man.
- 3.) Who killed you? The Creature
- 4.) How were you killed? The creature strangled me
- 5.) When were you killed? I was killed on the night of my honeymoon, which was supposed to be a start of a whole new life with Victor.
- 6.) Do you believe Victor is the one in the wrong? No, the Creature was the one who killed everyone Victor loves.
- 7.) Do you believe the Creatures crimes toward Victor are on the same level as Victor unkindness to him? No, The Creature took it to a whole new level.
- 8.) Do you believe the Creation is capable of compassion? I believe he is capable of human compassion and empathy, and still, with that went out and decided to kill Victors entire family. He was an intelligent and compassionate Creature with the reasoning skills of any

human. He was completely sane and knew exactly what he was doing and the heartbreak it would cause.

- 9.) How many people has the Creation taken from Victor and you, both directly and indirectly? The creature has taken what is left of our family, William and our father, and both of mine and Victor's best friends, Henry and Justine.
- 10.) Do you think the Creation's response to Victor in killing his whole family was a sane reaction? It was a sane reaction, however the creature did not care about who he was hurting?

CROSS EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

Questions for Henry Chervil- Elena

- Was Victor your friend?
 - Did you trust Victor? Why?
 - Would Victor have done anything to hurt you? Why do you feel that way?
 - Is the person that killed you in this room?
 - Point to that person please.
 - Can you explain the scene when you got killed?
 - So you would say the creature strangled you for no reason then?
 - Who killed you?
 - Did you ever do anything wrong to cause the murderer to attack you?
 - What was your relation with the creature? How did you know him?
 - So how are you defending him if you didn't personally know the creature??
 - Why do you side with the creature?
 - So how can you side with him after the creature vengefully killed everyone Victor loved?
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Questions for Justine -Brighton

- were you a friend of Victor?
 - Why were you sentenced to be executed?
 - did you kill William?
 - Who framed you for murder?
 - Did you have any relations with the Creature?
 - Do you recognize this locket here?
 - How did the effect your life? (sentenced to death)
 - Do you realize that we have found the creature's fingerprints on the locket?
 - Since he framed you, why are you defending him?
 - How can you blame Victor Frankenstein for this crime when he knew you two had no relation?
 - *Would you say the creature had to be intelligent to pull this off; framing you for a murder he committed?
- NO: But it had to take some thinking of what to do with the locket and he would have to be somewhat intelligent to frame you, would he not? NO: Explain

YES: So you're saying that despite Victor having claims of abandoning the creature, the creature was still intelligent?

-Why are you on his side if it is his fault you were killed?

Questions for the Creature -Elenia

-What was your first thoughts when you came back alive?

-(If yes why) Were you filled with Vengeance for Victor?

-Did you kill anyone to get back at Victor?

-Who did you kill?

-Elizabeth had nothing to do with you in anyway, why did you kill her?

- how did William threaten you?

- (if no threat posed) How could a young boy not even half your size threatened you?

-Why did you kill everyone that Victor loved?

-What were your motives for killing Victor's loved ones?

-Did you realize that you were already dead but thanks to Victor, you were given a second chance of life?

-Why do you hate Victor? Shouldn't you be grateful for him bringing you back?

did Victor ever put you in any harm with a weapon?

When Felix beat you with what weapon were you beaten with?

(stick) why did you not attack them back?

As previously stated by witnesses, why at this point did you not choose to use self-defense?

Why don't you want to seek revenge on the Delacys for abandoning you?

How were you able to gain your knowledge?

After you were created, what did you do? (ran away)

Since you ran away, how do you expect that Victor were to teach you anything?

Questions for the medical expert -Brighton

-What is your medical profession? -psychiatrist

-Do you believe there is a reason for how the Creature acted?

If yes- Can you explain?

-Do you have a diagnosis for the Creature? (If yes, what is it and what are symptoms?)

-Why do you think that The Creature acted so violently?

-In your professional opinion why did the creature attack someone that was not attacking him?

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Do you think the creature is very intelligent? why?

IF YES If the creature is intelligent wouldn't he know what he was doing?

IF NO Isn't it true that the creature had to be somewhat intelligent to know how to frame Justine and even know how to kill William?

The other day you said that the creator has a great influence on the creature's thoughts, correct?

How did Victor have any influence on the creature if he ran away so early in the creature's life?

Questions for the ethicist -ELenia

-Are you an ethical person?

-Would you asses murder as an ethical thing?

-Do you believe there is a reason for how the Creature acted?

-Do you believe vengeance justifies murders?

-Is murder reasonable (if yes, why?)

- (if yes because self-defense) You had no reason to defend yourself, William or Elizabeth did not harm you so why attack them?

-Earlier in the court case, fellow witnesses claimed that the creature was intelligent, so whether or not he was a child, would he not be able to live on his own and make intelligent choices?

Mr. DeLacey -Brighton

-Is it true you are blind?

-How well did you know the creature?

-Is it true that you only met the creature for a few minutes?

-Were you aware of anything he had done to anyone?

-Did you ever know that the creature was in your presence until you encountered him?

-Do you recognize the creature by his voice?

-Do you realize what he has done?

-Why do you think your son reacted in the way he did when he saw the creature next to you?

***So it had nothing to do with the fact that he knew he was a monster?

-Is it true that the creature burned your house down?

-Do you think it's okay that the creature burned down your home afterwards out of anger?

-It is true that he still committed arson?

Closing statement - Elenia

In your honor ladies and gentlemen of the court and of the jury, it should be clear to you as of today that my client Victor Frankenstein is not only innocent but is not the true victim in this courtroom. Victor Frankenstein is an intelligent man and has a big heart as well. Victor's motives for creating Mr. Creature were not only for the betterment of mankind and science, but he wanted to find the remedy of the frailties and shortcomings of the human body. As previously stated Victor has taken on the many roles such as a caring husband, a kind best friend, a creative scientist and learner but most importantly a loyal loving family member. Victor has taken upon the role to spend most of his life in dedication to help take the suffering of others by introducing the shock of electricity. Well known as today as AED which has helped saved billions of lives. What is he guilty of? Searching for new discoveries in science? Trying to spare others the pain of losing a loved one? Creating life? An ambitious man who simply had a wonderful goal he wanted to attain is being punished and accused of malpractice and negligence. All of the greatest philosophers, scientist, and other remarkable people all have taken up the task to attain a goal for the betterment of man. Their work has helped the world in many marvelous ways. My client is being blamed simply for not fully considering the consequences of creating Mr. Creature. But us humans are we perfect? Do we all consider our consequences when we make a decision? No we do not. But for my client his situation is seen differently.

The plaintiff may argue that my client did not teach him or should have taught him better. Mr. Creature knows right from wrong. In fact he taught this knowledge to himself and learned it on his own in the amount of time he was away from Victor. Why should my client be blamed for the actions of the plaintiff if he has a mind of his own? My client did not expose Mr. Creature to any acts of killing or things with such evil. If my client did not teach Mr. Creature to kill, why is

he being held responsible for his actions? Mr. Creature had the knowledge to know and understand the act of killing is not ethically reasonable simply because he was not taught to control his emotions or because he was angry and wanted vengeance for Victor. For instance, God is creator of all humans. Is god blamed for our actions even though he is our creator? No because we understand and know we are responsible for our ourselves because we are all our own human being that is responsible for our actions. Mr. Creature's excuse for killing is because "I was angry." This is a pity of an excuse coming from a very intelligent being. Wouldn't you agree Jury? If you were to be on the receiving end Jury and there was a person that killed five of your family members and their reason for it was because they were angry? Is that a reasonable answer for not only taking away five of your loved ones but all of the pain it has caused? Victor Frankenstein did not abandon Mr. Creature, he abandoned him. Mr. Creature ran off before Victor had the chance to build a bond with him.

My opponents spoke of Mr. Creature at first in a way that regarded him as a child but then later on regarded him with intelligence. Mr. Creature learned faster than a young child and did not display the kind, naive, and innocent actions of a young child. New born children do not know how to kill. It was not Victor's fault for not being able to teach the Mr. Creature. Just because Victor left does not mean he did not have the intents to come back, which my client did return for Mr. Creature and was left to discover nothing.

To conclude, my client is not a parent, he is a scientist. According to the Merriam Webster Dictionary, a father is defined as, "A male person whose sperm unites with an egg, resulting in the conception of a child." The creature does not have the same DNA as Victor or any of his qualities. Therefore, Victor is NOT the father of the creature. He created the Creature by experimenting to advance science but also to find the remedy of the frailties and shortcomings

of the human body. My opponents will try and prove that Victor is his father but they have no relation at all. How can a scientist be negligent towards an experiment? He had no responsibility to take care of this creation. My opponents seem to believe that he was a father figure. Ladies and gentleman of the jury, please answer this for me. If any one of you were to commit a crime, should your parent be blamed for it? The answer to this question should be no different in this case. Mr. Frankenstein has suffered through unspeakable acts such as his personal health decline and the deaths of numerous people in his family. Should he not be suing the plaintiff for what he put him through? Let's not forget he killed five innocent people out of revenge. Mr. Creature chose to take away everyone from Mr. Frankenstein purposely and intent. Jury members, remember the vital facts of the court case. It is easy to say that my client is innocent and this case should have been dropped before it even began. Thank you for your time.

