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## **Ethical Lapses in Motions for Rehearing**

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Here is the second video from the "ethics intervention" presentation at the Advanced Appellate Seminar recently put on by the <u>State Bar Appellate Section</u> and <u>TexasBarCLE</u>, Houston appellate lawyer <u>David Holman</u> once again demonstrates some things counsel should not do, this time in the context of preparing and filing a motion for rehearing in the court of appeals. Russell Hollenbeck plays Holman's client.

The quotes from real-life motions for rehearing are priceless. They bring back memories of the famous motion for rehearing in which a lawyer labeled the Texas Supreme Court one of the "Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" and called the justices "nine nutty professors." The lesson? Writing a "catharsis motion" might make you feel better, but filing one is usually a mistake.

Please click link to view video (http://vimeo.com/29101554).