

IN THE MIND OF **THE AUTHOR**

TROY ANNUITIES COMPANY

v.

TYLER "TY" THONUS

BEFORE THE HONORABLE J. THEMIS JONES on Monday, June 16 2232.

APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL:

For the Plaintiff: Hermes Cox

For the Defendant: Prometheus Smith

Disclaimer: This is a work of fiction inspired by Greek mythology. Any resemblance to names, individuals, companies, and perpetuities paid to people that live forever is purely coincidental.

THE CLERK: The Honorable Themis Jones presiding.

THE COURT: Please be seated.

THE CLERK: Troy Annuities Company vs. Ty Thonus. Here are the files, your honor.

THE COURT: Thank you. Anything before I bring the jury in?

MR. COX: No, your honor.

MR. SMITH: No, your honor.

THE COURT: Okay, let's bring in the jury panel.

(the jurors are brought into the courtroom at 11:38 AM)

THE COURT: Call the case again.

THE CLERK: Troy Annuities Company vs. Ty Thonus.

THE COURT: Mr. Cox, you may begin.

MR. COX: Mr. Thonus, may I ask you what you were doing at Zeus Medical Solutions on April 3, 2071?

MR. THONUS: They... were... a startup company that promised eternal life. I won a free appointment, since they were testing their technology out.

MR. COX: Let the record show that Mr. Thonus applied to get eternal life, despite holding a perpetuity from Troy-

MR. SMITH: Objection, your honor! Mr. Thonus was not aware of the fact that Zeus provided eternal life without eternal youth. He was-

MR. THONUS: -I am now a withering bag of bones!

THE COURT: Mr. Thonus, please do not interrupt the proceedings!

MR. SMITH: Your honor, if Mr. Thonus knew his medical costs would be increasing exponentially as a result of not being promised eternal youth, he would've never walked into that office in 2071!

MR. COX: Objection, your honor, speculation!

MR. THONUS: HANG ME ON A TREE AND FEED ME TO THE VULTURES!

THE COURT: Mr. Thonus, order or I will hold you in contempt of court!

MR. COX: Your honor, we argue that the actions of Mr. Thonus over 160 years ago, without duly notifying Troy Annuities, constitutes a flagrant violation of his contract as it is fraudulent misrepresentation.

THE COURT: Mr. Thonus, do you remember if you read the fine print telling you whether or not you would also be promised eternal youth?

MR. THONUS: No, I had my Lasik scheduled later that week.

MR. COX: That was 160 years ago, how do you remember if-

MR. SMITH: Your honor, if Zeus were the party responsible for putting Mr. Thonus in this predicament, do they not deserve some of the blame that Mr. Cox and Troy Annuities have been unjustly accusing Mr. Thonus of today?

MR. COX: Your honor, the purpose of the perpetuity has been frustrated as a result of the decisions of Mr. Thonus, even if his misinterpretation of what he signed ages ago may have put him in an unfortunate position that he's in now.

THE COURT: The court will now take a brief recess - clerk, would you have copies of Troy Annuities' perpetuity contract terms applicable in 2071?