

**KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION
KENTUCKY RULES OF EVIDENCE**

**ARTICLE VI
WITNESSES**

KRE 601 Competency

(a) General. Every person is competent to be a witness except as otherwise provided in these rules or by statute.

(b) Minimal qualifications. A person is disqualified to testify as a witness if the trial court determines that he:

- (1) Lacked the capacity to perceive accurately the matters about which he proposes to testify;
- (2) Lacks the capacity to recollect facts;
- (3) Lacks the capacity to express himself so as to be understood, either directly or through an interpreter; or
- (4) Lacks the capacity to understand the obligation of a witness to tell the truth.

HISTORY: 1992 c 324, § 34, eff. 7-1-92; 1990 c 88, § 34