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## Rule 405. Methods Of Proving Character.

Rules text

(a) Reputation or Opinion. In all cases in which evidence of character or a trait of character of a person is admissible, proof may be made by testimony as to reputation or by testimony in the form of an opinion. On cross-examination, inquiry is allowable into relevant specific instances of conduct.

(b) Specific Instances of Conduct. In cases in which character or a trait of character of a person is an essential element of a charge, claim, or defense, proof may also be made of specific instances of his conduct.

### **Associated Court Rules:**

Arkansas Rules of Evidence

### **Group Title:**

Article IV. Relevancy and Its Limits

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