

# ETHICAL DECISION MAKING

## DEFENSE DILEMMA

Jill Jacobs is a self-employed defense attorney who recently completed law school. In an effort to make ends meet, she has offered her services to virtually anyone who contacts her.

One day, a gang member named “Hoolio” asks Jacobs to represent him on a burglary charge. After discussing rates, Hoolio tells Jacobs that he will not be able to pay her with money but that he can give her a 70-inch smart TV.

Later, Jacobs is reading Hoolio’s arrest report when one item jumps out at her: Hoolio was accused of stealing a 70-inch smart TV.

## YOU DECIDE

1. How should Jacobs proceed? Explain.
2. Does a career as a defense attorney interest you? Why or why not?