So Sue Me

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10 lawyers were returning from a Legal Conference in Tahiti aboard a chartered jet. They were too cheap to afford a Stewardess, and they'd already eaten all the food and drank the booze when the plane crash landed near a desert island. The pilot/copilot were killed on impact, as the plane starts to sink the Lawyers fight to get out of the plane's door, and barely escape with the clothes on their backs. They struggled to make it to the island, and right before the plane went down for good, they saw a crate pop up and float. They quickly surrounded it and drag it to shore, and all claimed ownership, so the Senior Partner stepped in and said "We'll do the fair thing and share." They finally located a rock, and pried the crate open only to discover a crate full of 100 oranges that were supposed to be delivered to another island, but were refused since they were past their prime. With 10 lawyers and 100 oranges, they got ten each, and proceeded to eat one or two each, that is until they got nauseous and vomited.

Instead of spending their time trying to build fire, or any other useful activity, they spent their time bickering over the oranges, and other minor disagreements. Finally one of them turned to the other and said "So Sue Me!'

The Senior Partner agreed to act as judge, and they presented their cases. The Judge ruled for the Plaintiff, and ordered the loser to pay the winner an orange. Being a crafty person, he surrendered the worst looking one of the bunch, which while it wasn't moldy or anything yet, was definitely past its prime. The Judge insisted on two wedges for his "administrative fee" and this went on for months. With a dwindling supply of oranges, the legal contests got more drawn out and pronounced, to the point where it took a whole month to settle the case, and the oranges were downright nasty by now, but they were starving, and couldn't figure out how to get to the coconuts, which hadn't fallen yet and were 100 feet up in the tree.

One by one, the lawyers died off of starvation, dehydration, exposure, and one even committed suicide by drowning when he couldn't take it anymore. Finally, the only person left was the Judge, and he was fresh out of oranges. He'd climbed trees as a boy, and was now desperate enough to try and climb the coconut palm. He made it most of the way up, when a tree rat startled him and he lost his grip. He hit his head and broke his neck when he landed, and when he opened his eyes, he couldn't move or breathe. Right then, he heard a thump, and a nice fresh ripe coconut fell within a foot of his head, and ruptured. He died within inches of his salvation, but couldn't move a muscle to get it.

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