Relevance

Fed. R. Evid. 401

Evidence is relevant if:

- (a) it has any tendency to make a fact more or less probable than it would be without the evidence; and
- **(b)** the fact is of consequence in determining the action.

Fed. R. Evid. 402

Relevant evidence is admissible unless any of the following provides otherwise:

the United States Constitution;

a federal statute;

these rules; or

other rules prescribed by the Supreme Court.

Irrelevant evidence is not admissible.

More or less probable? (Probative)



Fact of consequence (materiality)



- Directly relates to allegation
- Relates to any witness's credibility
 - Bias, interest, motive