During the trial however, the defense counsel found that he was not competent and requested for additional psychiatric testimony, which was denied by the court. The Supreme Court ruled, however, this refusal went against the Fourteenth Amendment which requires a fair trial. The ruling stood that whenever there was sufficient evidence to suggest that there needed to be a hearing to ensure the competency of the defendant (Mossman, et al., 2007). Droe was accused of raping his wife and shot himself on the second day of the trial. The court proceedings continued without him. An analysis of competency to stand trial: an integration of case law and clinical knowledge. Behavioral Sciences & the Law, 16, 35-50. Felthous, A.R. (2003). Competence to stand trial. competency to stand trial. Waiving the Insanity Defense. Certain criminal defendants refuse to consider the insanity defense. The practical consequence of this seeming contradiction is that a defendant found competent to stand trial may ultimately be found guilty rather than not guilty by reason of insanity. Accordingly, forensic evaluators should attempt with those defendants who lack insight into their mental illness to explore the advantages and disadvantages of pleading insanity and the probable outcomes with and without the insanity plea. Competency and the Insanity Defense PSC 153 April 30 th â€“ May 2 nd , 2019 Darío Sacchi University of California, Davis. Outline â—¼ Competency to stand trial â—¼ Definition and criteria â—¼ How does it play out? â—¼ Restoration â—¼ Other factors to consider â—¼ Insanity defense â—¼ Definition â—¼ Evolution of the law â—¼ Jurorsâ€™ reception. Competency to Stand Trial (CST) â—¼ Ability to participate adequately in criminal proceedings and to aid in oneâ€™s own defense â—¼ Aiding in oneâ€™s own defense â—¼ provide lawyer with info about crime and witnesses â—¼ Why is it important?