

Summary and Next Steps

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Beginnings

- Formal obedience is all that we are entitled to require
 - Submission
- Substantive compliance is what we really need
 - Active cooperation

Postures and dispositions

- Attitudes matter, but their relationship to conduct is contingent
- The dispositions revealed by the Experiencing Supervision Group suggest the possibility of commitment and cooperation, but stress the pains of submission/obedience

Postures and dispositions

- The postures and dispositions of decision-makers matter
 - Perhaps more than the law!
- This carries benefits and risks
 - It may moderate (as in Spain) or exacerbate the potential for cruel and disproportionate enforcement (as in the some US states)

Consent

- Consent to the order
 - Agreeing to obey
- Consent to the content
 - Choosing to cooperate?

Setting the scene for what?

- Is the front-stage set for obedience (and substantive disengagement)?
 - Does it stress formal submission to the order and the rules?
 - Should it be?
- Or can the front-stage be set for engagement/cooperation
 - And risk ‘infantilisation’ and intrusion?
- What is a utopian architecture for probation?

Thank you