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# WorkedUp: Chief District Court Judge Ruben Castillo

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In this episode, Matt Steinberg welcomes the Honorable Ruben Castillo, Chief Judge for the Northern District of Illinois (the third largest jurisdiction in the country) for a wide-ranging discussion. Judge Castillo shares his personal journey from growing up the son of two immigrants to being the first Hispanic federal judge in Illinois. He also discusses his views on the evolution of litigation and advocacy over his 25 years on the bench, as well as his perspective on employment litigation trends, the types of facts/evidence he is likely to find persuasive in employment-related litigation, and how lawyers can be more effective advocates (both inside and outside the courtroom). Matt also asks Judge Castillo about his involvement in criminal justice reform and his many other public outreach initiatives.

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