Judges are to have allegiance to nothing except... the effort to find their path through precedent, through policy, through history, through their own gifts of insight to the best judgment that poor fallible creatures can arrive at in the most difficult of all tasks, the adjudication between man and man, between man and state, through reason called law.

– Justice Felix Frankfurter (1953)
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The text also highlights the significance of judicial opinions in legal education and practice. The conversation with Justice Alito focuses on the importance of legal consultation and the role of lawyers in maintaining public confidence in the court. It emphasizes that legal consultation is essential for providing guidance, avoiding legal pitfalls, and upholding the rule of law. Judicial opinions that are well-reasoned enhance professional credibility and the ability of counsel to give reliable advice.

In conclusion, the text underscores the value of judicial opinions in legal education and practice, highlighting the importance of providing comprehensive and well-reasoned legal consultation to ensure the rule of law is upheld. The conversation with Justice Alito is an opportunity to rectify any oversight in this area and to foster a more robust understanding of the role of legal consultation in maintaining public confidence in the court.