



# Voices from the Rwanda Tribunal

## Official Transcript: Christine Graham (Highlight)



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In this highlight, Christine Graham speaks on...  
the difficulty of trials that continue over lengthy  
periods of time

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- 00:00 It's, I think one of the lessons that can be learned from this tribunal is that it's difficult to have criminal litigation that goes on over a number of years with several accused involved.
- 00:15 It's difficult to keep your staff that doing the work on both side, whether the prosecution or the defense. It's – you have to have judges that are fit and strong to sit long hours over many years.
- 00:30 You have to have strategies that actually works over all these years. You can't change them from one day to another so you have to have a very long-term vision as a lawyer when you present your case.
- 00:44 You have to have a organization behind you that's willing to back you on all levels all, over all these years. You have, as a team you have to have extreme tolerance and acceptance of each other because you spend so much time together.
- 00:59 And although you're really tired of the ones that you work the closest with, you, you, as much as you learn to love them over the years, you know, it, i-, that can be difficult too. So I can really not pinpoint one thing.
- 01:16 Robert Utter: Not the most difficult, they're all difficult.**
- 01:17 It's very di-, it was, it, it has been very challenging but I don't think I have been bored one day.