02-1541 IOWA v. TOVAR

Ruling below: Sup. Ct. Iowa, 656 N.W.2d 112

QUESTION PRESENTED FOR REVIEW

Does the Sixth Amendment require a court to give a rigid and detailed admonishment to a pro se defendant pleading guilty of the usefulness of an attorney, that an attorney may provide an independent opinion whether it is wise to plead guilty and that without an attorney the defendant risks overlooking a defense?

CERT. GRANTED: 9/30/03