

to return; to surrender. Also to pay or to perform; used of rents, services, and the like.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But isn't there some additional that might bear more directly on what we're talking about?

SENATOR LINDSAY: There is. To pronounce, state, declare, or announce the judgment of the court in a given case.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So the rendering is the announcing but it is not the reaching of the court's judgment, is it?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Well, actually, there...yeah, and I guess to get back to being serious about it, the rendering, there's some question about when a decision, and it's referenced in that Black's Law Dictionary copy you have there, questions about whether rendering occurs at the time it's announced in open court or entered on a docket sheet, or entered on the clerk's docket, or...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But one thing is clear, the rendering is not the same as the judgment or the decision. Rendering is what...

SENATOR LINDSAY: Rendering...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...done with it.

SENATOR LINDSAY: I think, for lack of a better term, rendering might be to give legal effect to it, to...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right.

SENATOR LINDSAY: You might have it in your possession but it...I mean, a judgment in the judge's possession that he hasn't issued yet would not have any really legal effect until something is done to make it legal...have it give it a legal effect.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And there have been Supreme Court decisions in this state describing what rendition of judgment means and at what point that does occur. Haven't there been?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Oh, sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: In Nebraska?