

AWARD: Boy's appearance dramatic

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There was a delay by the doctors in ordering a C-section, Meyers and Giuffre said.

Attorney Christopher Rulis of Pittsburgh, representing Pazmino, disputed the delay. The heartbeat was lost at 6:13 a.m. and a Stat Emergency C-Section was called at 6:15 a.m., he said.

Within five minutes, Rulis said, the baby was delivered.

He called Pazmino and Matgouranis "good caring doctors" and said the attorneys for the Mayhues were "all over the place" with accusations.

The defense also said Pazmino, while performing the C-section, had to worry that Trudy Mayhue is a Jehovah Witness and made it known she did not want a blood transfu-

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sion, even if she started bleeding badly.

"This is what he [Pazmino] had to face," Rulis said.

Jacob's appearance in the courtroom was the most dramatic part of the eight-day trial.

Jacob entered the courtroom from a door in Judge Hiram A. Carpenter's chambers, and the witness who was to describe his condition to the jury sat on the courtroom floor.

The two played a game of tic-tac-toe, allowing the jurors to

witness the boy's mental and physical capabilities.

"He didn't want to do this," Meyers said of the boy's appearance in court. As Jacob was leaving the courtroom, Meyers thanked him and the boy playfully groused, "Yeah, yeah, yeah."

Giuffre said Jacob knows he can't keep up with the other kids in school and said, "He will always know he is different."

The attorneys requested damages for pain and suffering, loss of enjoyment of life and embarrassment, as well as disfigurement and lost wages over his lifetime.

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