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'Abdur-Rahmān ibn Abu Bakrah reported: My father wrote, or I wrote on his behalf, to his son 'Ubaydullāh ibn Abu Bakrah, a judge in Sijistan, saying: "Do not judge between two people while being in a state of anger, for indeed I heard the Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) say: 'Let no one judge between two people while being angry.'" Another narration reads: "Let no judge pass judgment between two people while being angry."

[Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Bukhari & Muslim]

Allah, the Wise Lawgiver, has forbidden the judge from passing judgment between people when he is angry, for anger affects one's personal balance and probably causes him to pass unjust or wrong judgment. This would be injustice to the litigant against whom the ruling is passed and a sin and a source of regret for the judge.

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