

...an old "Attorney maxim"

"If you can't beat your opponent with the facts beat them with the law. If you can't beat them with the law - discredit them."

Alternative: If you can't beat them with the law - beat the table!

Or, put another way:

"If you can't dazzle them with brilliance, baffle them with B.S."

Or, put another way:

An Attorney will pound opponent with facts unless he has no facts then he will pound opponent with law, and should he have neither facts nor law the table will bear the brunt of his pounding.

A good Attorney knows the law,
a [the] better [great] Attorney knows the judge.