Questions to ask a lawyer before you hire

Bring this to the first meeting.

1. How many cases like mine have you handled?
2. What are my options, and what would you do in my place?
3. How do you charge, and what costs are on top of the fee?
4. Can I have the fee agreement in writing?
5. Who will actually work on my case?
6. How will you keep me updated, and how fast do you reply?
7. What is the deadline for my case?
8. What could go wrong?
9. Roughly how long will this take?
10. What do you need from me right now?