

MISCARRIAGES OF JUSTICE

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ABSTRACT

This paper sheds light on miscarriages of justice, wrongful convictions, false confessions, police arrest and legal technicality. Whenever a person is arrested by the police, certain legal rules need to be followed. The ‘suspect’ should be treated as ‘innocent until proven guilty’. However, in many countries, police do treat the suspect as ‘guilty until proven innocent’ which is highly objectionable. Moreover, there is also the issue of over-zealousness from the police which is a major contributing factor leading to miscarriages of justice. Another problem in the legal arena is that some very dangerous people prefer to act ‘En Ame et Consciencas’ as far as the accountability of their actions and reactions is concerned, rather than as per the ‘Rule of Law’.

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“It is better that ten guilty persons escape than that one innocent suffer”

-William Blackstone