



Justice for George Zimmerman and a Vindication for Self-Defense in Florida

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The verdict is in, and the trial that never should have occurred resulted in the verdict it must, if actual justice is to be served.

This case, used by President Barack Obama to personally incite and inflame racial hatred, is one I've followed since the news first broke. The mainstream media, thinking they'd found their cause du jour, portrayed a young black thug as a model citizen in their all-out effort to whitewash the facts of the case.

There will be problems around America in the wake of this jury's decision. Those who believe that this young black man was an angel will never accept the fact his own criminal actions caused his death.

Racist haters like the "Reverend" Al Sharpton called the verdict an "atrocity" since it didn't fit with his own hate-filled world view that says all white men are scum and all black men are angels. Saying the verdict of the all-women jury is *"a slap in the face to those that believe in justice in this country"* simply shows that Sharpton has no clue what justice actually means. It does NOT mean coming to a predetermined conclusion based on the race of the victim OR of the accused. I have no doubt Sharpton loved the fact it was an all-women jury... right up until the moment they reached their verdict.

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That won't stop the likes of Sharpton from calling for race riots and inciting hatred against *"white folk"*... since *white folk* can't be discriminated against.

This case should never gone to trial in the first place. Zimmerman ended up on trial because President Obama and other racist black men demanded it.

Any time you demand a conviction simply because of the color of their skin, as in George Zimmerman's case, you're a racist. I don't care what color your skin is.

Yours in Liberty,

Christopher

Self Defense

The Common Law's "Beyond a Reasonable Doubt" Saves Judicial Sanity in Martin Murder Case By Kelly O'Connell

Yesterday's "Not Guilty" verdict in the Trayvon Martin murder trial produced much angry, racially tinged rhetoric and apocalyptic warnings of the impending fall of America. And yet, this result was actually the opposite.

The finding by the jury which freed George Zimmerman, after the propagandizing by the media, and illegal meddling by the White House was good news. It informs everyone that the death of the American justice system has been announced much too soon.

The history of Anglo-American law traces a non-linear course, full of surprising twists and turns. For example, the very concept of the "fact," which most persons quite naturally assume derives from science, developed from legal discourse, according to Barbara J. Shapiro in *A Culture of Fact: England, 1550-1720*. A further curious point is that modern, western legal systems are much beholden to the Christian history of Europe.

For instance, the notion of the criminal standard of proof being demanded—Beyond a Reasonable Doubt, comes

not from sheer jurisprudence. Instead, it derives from the natural reluctance of medieval Christian jurors not to judge their neighbors in a manner too harsh for biblical standards, and therefore "build a mansion in hell" for themselves.

Yet add this Beyond a Reasonable Doubt standard to Lord Blackstone's famous dictum—

"It is better that ten guilty persons escape than that one innocent suffer", and one can begin to understand the outlines of modern criminal law theory.

Further, here we find a theory of crime and punishment which does not simply favor the state at the expense of the accused in the name of safety.

In other words, these legal standards

are quite fitting for a state which favors liberty over every other value, from our beginnings in the Declaration and Constitution.

In fact, we must favor liberty over ramped up conviction rates to make sure the innocent are never disadvantaged in America's courtrooms.

[Read the rest of Kelly O'Connell's article at CanadaFreePress.com](http://CanadaFreePress.com)



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Privacy Rights

Is it a Violation of your Right to Privacy to be Identified as a Drunk Driver?

It's an interesting question if for no other reason than it pits public safety against personal privacy. You know, just like they keep telling us being a gun owner does. In the case of repeated drunk driving convictions, however, the guilty party has proven by their own repeated actions they are a menace to the rest of us, whereas gun owners have done no such thing.

What brings this to mind? Prince Edward Island is toying with the idea of forcing repeat drunk driving offenders to display a special license plate that identifies them.

While [P.E.I. Transportation Minister Robert Vessey](#) repeatedly claims the plan is not meant to publicly shame drunk drivers, I think he should stop hiding from the fact and simply embrace it.

Drunk drivers are a menace. They kill people. Those are the facts. If publicly shaming them helps reduce their menace to us then why not do it?

Prince Edward Island isn't alone in thinking this is a good idea. Yukon Territory is also pondering the notion. Yukon MP Darius Elias [put the idea forward](#) in an interview back in April.

"Nobody wants to have a bright pink or yellow licence plate on their vehicle saying that they've been charged with impaired twice."

He's got a point.

Public shaming is powerful. It's also effective. That's probably why the Canadian Civil Liberties Association is against it.

Nathalie Des Rosiers, general counsel with the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, said,

"The Canadian Civil Liberties Association does have concern about such a branding and public humiliation that is a bit reminiscent of 19th century punishment."

Generally Nathalie and I agree on things, but in this case I think she's on the wrong track. If it's okay to publicly brand gun owners who have not committed any crime as "criminals in waiting" then I see absolutely no reason why we can't publicly shame those individuals who have actually endangered the lives and safety of others.

It's simply common sense, not that I expect everyone to agree with me.

Andrew Murie, [CEO of MADD Canada](#), is someone I almost *never* agree with, but when he states there is an element of shaming to the program, not only for the person with the DUI but also members of their family who also drive the vehicle, I agree completely.

If Junior is driving Dad's car and it has "drunk driver" plates on it already, he's far less likely to drive drunk. He's also got a lot of explaining to do to his girlfriend's father, don't you think?

This is an idea that's used in other jurisdictions around the world and it appears successful.

Ohio, Iowa, Minnesota and Oregon all have special plates for convicted drunk drivers.

As expected, those who oppose the plates do so for a variety of reasons, but most opposition boils down to these points:

Is it right to shame someone for their past actions?

Is past actions an automatic indicator of future actions? (I say yes, they say no.)

This is a public safety issue despite what opponents insist.

"The assumption seems to be that those with a DUI in their past are usually, if not always, drunk whenever they get behind the wheel."

While I doubt that assumption has much basis in reality, someone with multiple convictions for drunk driving is someone I'd like to steer clear of, wouldn't you?

Big Brother

British Columbia Backs Down on Smart Meters

Over 85,000 homeowners refused to allow BC Hydro to install so-called “Smart Meters” on their homes. That number doesn’t count the hundreds of thousands who didn’t want the meters but didn’t act in time to prevent the electronic snooping devices from being mounted on their homes. Finally, the BC Government announced it would no longer force the devices on almost 100,000 of British Columbians.

In other words, in the battle over smart meters, the government blinked and homeowners won.

That is very good news.

BC Hydro was able to bill me effectively for decades, yet these government bullies claim the entire electrical grid is in danger of collapse because I refuse to allow them to install a smart meter? Don’t be ridiculous.

They still manage to bill me with stunning regularity despite the fact I refused their electronic leech, but I have peace of mind knowing they cannot spy on me and learn which electronic devices I turn on or off, or why I do so.

“The Smart Grid will enable third parties to peer into your home”, says commissioner Ann Cavoukian, Privacy and Information Commissioner of Ontario. *“You can imagine how tempting the marketing opportunities will be.”*

It’s called personal privacy, a notion that Big Brother has always despised and likely always will. While I have concerns about the health issues these devices may cause, they are not my primary concern. Personal Privacy is my primary concern.

I simply don’t want a government agency to control which devices I can turn on or off, or when I may do so. It’s my home, not theirs, and I will turn on any electronic device I please when I choose. I do not require their permission to do so. It’s simply none of their damn business.

If you want more information on the Smart Meter issue there are a number of websites that will cater to your needs. Some focus on health, some on safety, others on privacy issues and some sites try and cover all the bases.

⇒ <http://www.stopsmartmetersbc.ca/>

⇒ <http://stopsmartmeters.ca/>

⇒ <http://citizensforsafetechnology.org/>

These are just a few of the sites dedicated to stopping Smart Meters in Canada. The opposition to these devices is well-documented in other jurisdictions for all the reasons touched on above.

Here are the [Top 5 Reasons for Refusing A Smart Meter on Your Home](#), from okinhealth.com

1. Health Concerns. The World Health Organization classes Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields (EMF) as a “possible carcinogen.” In California, PG&E has begun removing smart meters on homes where people have become sick from them, and is replacing them with old-style analogue meters.

2. Privacy and Personal Security Concerns. BC’s Privacy Commissioner has launched an investigation into BC Hydro’s smart meters because of these concerns.

3. Local Government Opposition. In September, the Union of BC Municipalities – representing ALL local governments in British Columbia – passed a motion calling for a moratorium on smart meter installation.

4. Job Loss. BC Hydro’s motivation for this much-opposed technological change-over is partly about ‘labour shedding.’ Four hundred meter readers will be unemployed if BC Hydro’s plan to install smart meters goes ahead.

5. Your Hydro Bill. In Richmond, BC a woman recently reported that her typical \$100 hydro bill jumped to \$500 after installation of a smart meter. She complained to BC Hydro, but Hydro says the bill is accurate.

Ah yes, Big Government in action... and in any dispute between a “mere citizen” and Big Government you know who wins... at least in the short term.

Police Misconduct

Justice Department Releases Investigative Findings on the City of Miami Police Department and Officer-involved Shootings

Following a comprehensive investigation, the Justice Department today released its letter of findings determining that the city of Miami Police Department (MPD) has engaged in a pattern or practice of excessive use of force through officer-involved shootings in violation of the Fourth Amendment of the Constitution.

Between 2008 and 2011, officers intentionally shot at individuals on 33 separate occasions, three of which MPD itself found unjustified. The department found that a number of MPD practices, including deficient tactics, improper actions by specialized units, as well as egregious delays and substantive deficiencies in deadly force investigations, contributed to the pattern or practice of excessive force.

The department's findings noted that MPD did not provide close supervision or hold individuals accountable for their actions by failing to complete thorough, objective and timely investigations of officer-involved shootings. For a significant number of the shootings, including one that occurred in 2008, MPD has not reached a conclusion internally as to whether or not the officer's firearm discharge was lawful and within policy.

The Justice Department found that MPD's failure to complete timely and thorough investigations of officer-involved shootings undermined accountability and exposed MPD officers and the community to unreasonable risks that might have been addressed through prompt corrective action, noting that several investigations remained open for more than three years.

Significantly, a small number of officers were involved in a disproportionate number of shootings, while the investigations into their shootings continued to be egregiously delayed. The findings released today mark the conclusion of the department's second investigation of MPD in recent years. The department noted that similar deficiencies were found in its previous investigation that began in 2002.

"Although MPD appeared to correct course after our first investigation, many of the systemic problems that we previously identified returned to root deeply in MPD's practices. Our findings should serve as a catalyst to help MPD and the city of Miami restore the community's confidence in fair, effective and accountable law enforcement," said Roy L. Austin Jr, Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division. *"We look forward to collaborating with Chief Orosa, Mayor Regalado and the people of Miami to create and implement a comprehensive, court-enforceable plan to ensure sustainable reform."*

Wifredo Ferrer, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Florida stated, *"In November 2011, the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice began a formal investigation to determine whether the city of Miami Police Department had engaged in a pattern or practice of excessive use of deadly force by firearms. After a careful and thorough review of the facts and circumstances surrounding a series of police-involved shootings, the Civil Rights Division found that the police department in fact engaged in such prohibited conduct. Today, we are releasing the detailed findings of the investigation, with the dual goal of shining a light on past wrongs and – more importantly – setting a clear course for the future that will assure the residents of the city of Miami that this type of behavior will not be repeated in our city. We commend Chief Orosa for recognizing some of the problems the Civil Rights Division found and for pursuing initiatives to address them. We are confident that the findings and recommendations will be heeded, and will result in institutional long-term reform that will make our city and police force better than ever."*

The department's investigation involved an in-depth review of thousands of documents, including written policies and procedures, training materials, and internal reports, photographs, video and audio recordings and investigative files. The review benefited from productive dialogue with MPD supervisors and officers, city of Miami officials, the Office of the State Attorney, the Civilian Investigative Panel, and members of the Miami community. The Justice Department provided feedback to MPD during the investigation and commends Chief Manuel Orosa for taking steps to address some of the deficiencies identified since the investigation began.

Read More at <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2013/July/13-crt-770.html>

Police Accountability

Police chiefs seek ability to suspend officers without pay

Suspended police officers in Ontario collect millions of dollars each year, and in the only province where police chiefs have no power to revoke their pay, there's a push for change.

Even if convicted of a criminal offence, police officers in the province can continue to receive their salary.

That doesn't sit well with David Stern, whose son was beaten up by Const. Jason Nevill in Barrie. Nevill was convicted last month of assault causing bodily harm, obstruction of justice and fabricating evidence.

He has been suspended since March 2011, when the charges were laid, and will still be paid at least until his sentencing in October or when he is fired following a police disciplinary hearing.

"It's ridiculous," said Stern, whose then 25-year-old son can be seen on mall security video being assaulted by Nevill. "As a citizen, of course once they're convicted, that's it. End of story. You're no longer innocent."

But under Ontario's Police Services Act, the only circumstance in which a police officer doesn't get paid while suspended is if he or she is convicted and sentenced to imprisonment.

If an officer is convicted of a crime but doesn't have to serve time behind bars, they remain suspended with pay until they can be fired through the police disciplinary procedure. The same process applies to officers internally charged with misconduct.

If the officer appeals their termination, it can be delayed for months, even years.

Province-wide suspensions costly

The Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police found in a survey they conducted in 2008 that 52 officers in the province were on suspension at that time. Their annual salaries and benefits would have added up to about \$4.8 million.

The survey received data from the provincial police and larger forces such as those in York Region, Waterloo Region, Ottawa and London, but not all of the police services responded.

Numbers for Toronto police were not included in the survey, but currently six of their members are suspended, said Mark Pugash, the director of corporate communications.

Ontario is the only province in which suspended police officers must be paid. Under other provinces' police legislation, police chiefs have the discretion to suspend an officer with or without pay.

In some provinces a suspended officer gets their full pay for the first 30 days of the suspension, then whether they continue to be paid after that is up to the chief.

North Bay Police Chief Paul Cook, the president of the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police, has two officers out of his force of 94 on suspension as they face domestic violence charges.

"I hear about that weekly from my community and because of the processes that are in place I would expect that I'll be hearing about that for upwards of the next three years or more," he said.

"We're paying these individuals to show up either at a police building or a courthouse, sign in and in many cases that's all they have to do," Cook said, referring to the check-in procedure for officers on suspension.

"That's it for their 80-some thousand dollars. In this day and age how do we justify that within our communities?"

Read the rest of this article online at

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/ottawa/story/2013/07/07/toronto-ontario-police-suspensions.html>

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While they did a great thing by finally passing Bill C-304 to repeal Section 13, the very same day they absolutely gutted Bill C-377, a bill that would have forced Canadian labour unions to become more transparent. They did this and got away with it because nobody was watching them and they knew it.

[The Political Action Wizard Free Senate Edition](#) is a tool for every Canadian to use to write to our Senators and express our views on the legislation before them. As their actions on Bill C-377 proved, we must let our Senators know we're watching otherwise all kinds of silliness takes place.

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Yours in Liberty,

Christopher di Armani

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by the actions of a VERY few lunatics.”



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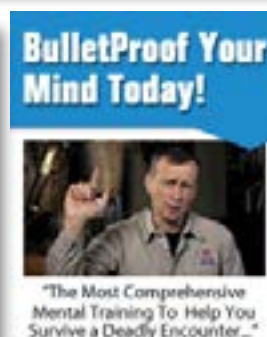


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