

Guilty Until Proven Innocent: A True-Life Legal Drama

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A book that asks the question; “Is one innocent until proven guilty or guilty until proven innocent”?

D. Corbett Everidge was a man whose sworn duty was to uphold the laws of North Carolina. As a college instructor, military police officer, former probation officer, and a serving magistrate Everidge was a man of impeccable reputation. Due to an unfortunate chain of events Everidge would find his reputation, and even his freedom, in jeopardy.

Guilty Until Proven Innocent, details the events that transpired, which put a distinguished career in jeopardy, along with the author’s freedom. *Guilty Until Proven Innocent* also serves an inside look at the nuts and bolts of the North Carolina legal system. All aspects of the legal process are discussed as Everidge explains well the duties of all of the players within the system. Investigative techniques, execution of warrants, and prosecutorial strategies are all discussed. The book also analyzes the effect the media has on the judicial system. Also explored is the emotional toll which is placed on the defendant, the defendant’s friends, and their families.

Guilty Until Proven Innocent serves as a cautionary tale of what can happen when the system fails those who it is meant to protect. As intelligent as it is entertaining, students of law, sociology, and criminal justice, will find *Guilty Until Proven Innocent* a valuable tool for research. Ultimately *Guilty Until Proven Innocent* leaves it up to the reader to judge guilt or innocence in the case of the State of North Carolina versus David Corbett Everidge.