Police State: How America's Cops Get Away With Murder
We all want to feel safe. But safe from what and from whom? In his 60-plus years as a trial lawyer, Gerry Spence has never represented a person accused of a crime in which the police hadn’t themselves violated the law. Whether by covering up their own corrupt dealings, by the falsification or manufacture of evidence, or by the outright murder of innocent civilians, those individuals charged with upholding the law break it every day - in ways more scandalous than the courts have dared admit. The police and prosecutors won’t charge or convict themselves, and so the crimes of the criminal justice system are swept under the rug. Nothing changes. Too many police officers are killers on the loose, and every uninformed American is a potential next victim. Police culture is mired in the dead weight of precedent and ruled by trigger-happy tyrants. Power will march our nation over the police state precipice unless “we the people” take action. The FBI’s massacre of the Weaver family at Ruby Ridge, the killing of mortally wounded Fouad Kaady by a group of police officers, the torture of teenaged Dennis Williams by cops seeking a murder confession - again and again, the question arises: When the very men and women we pay to protect us instead persecute us every day, how can we be safe? In Police State, Spence slaps a stinging indictment upon the American justice system and puts forth a plan to restore liberty and justice for all.

There is more to this book than you might imagine. I thoroughly enjoyed Gerry’s accounts of some of his biggest cases. He is tackling a tough subject here and not one that most of us want to discuss
or face. In this book he shares with us his experience and offers his advice based on years and years in the court room. This book is part autobiography and part warning. I enjoyed it immensely.

A well written description of the rampant disregard for the constitutional rights of American citizens by our nation’s Federal and local police agencies. Some of the examples listed in the book were so horrendous that I could only read bits at a time. This is a must-read for anyone wondering how the government can destroy anyone it targets and how the media more often than not a willing participant.

Wow! A Great Chilling first person account from a great 60 years experienced Lawyer. Very relevant torn out of today’s headlines of Baltimore and Ferguson. A Must read about the unbridled powers and no holds brutality of Americas Big Brother Police State. Not an Indictment of Good Law abiding police, but of a corrupt Cabal of a legal system that refuses to indict its own, no matter how brutal and power hungry corrupt they may be. Gerry points out how this Cabal lies cheats and steals, killing those in the way of exposing the truth. Must Read, Because your its next intended Target. Its not about Police Brutality, its about the brutal and corrupt political and legal system that has our ever escalating Big Brother Machine that uses Police as Pawns to carry out their control over your lives.

I liked the book, but . .I was disappointed that it only touched on recent police state events. Since I live in a city that is a perfect example of Spence’s book title, I probably wanted a scathing approach! In my opinion, the last parts of the book should have been the lead chapters, then the rest to cement his premise. I realize that recent events are yet resolved and he may be prevented as such. Still, a great book for the behind the scenes of heart-rending failures of justice. As the Pogo cartoon strip once noted, "We have met the problem and it is us." We are wimps when it comes to enforcing control of our out of control "law enforcement officers." He nails the fact that many are bullies who openly slip into the jobs, and there is seemingly no attempt to screen out these often dangerous applicants. Seems that some of the worst offenders are in smaller communities, however even POWER, as he refers to the problem, even begins in Washington, D. C.!

This book gave a careful and thorough examination of the problems in the criminal justice system and police handling of those in the system. The research and writing of this book are maticalus. I felt the pain, the sadness and the fear in each chapter. The best part of the book is that it’s based on
real events and experiences. Building on these experiences, the proposed reform of the criminal justice system becomes apparent. I highly recommend this book, especially those involved or interested in the criminal justice system.

In my view, worth reading for his inside account of his cases, such as his defense of Weaver, but most of the case histories presented even your average attorney has never heard of. The lesser known cases thighs are equally compelling and important lessons.

A gift has been given to the public for 67 years, whom never lost a case defending the innocent against evil, corrupt cops, lawyers, judges, the whole damn system, whose job it is to serve "We The People".

Gerry Spence is as much a master of the written word as he was an amazing defense attorney. He truly cares for those he represented. His book is an important warning to us, keeping us mindful of the dangers of allowing our liberty to disintegrate. Hopefully we are not already there...

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