

JUDGE FOR A DAY



Premise

When a crime is committed we all agree that the perpetrator should be caught and judged

There - however - our agreement stops - for what should the sentence be? And who's to decide what's fair - and what's not?

Format Description

Every year millions of people all over the Western world follow the advice of health authorities and get screened for various forms of cancer and take preventive medicine for cardiovascular disease. If we haven't tried it ourselves, we have a family member or a friend who has. We get the examination to prevent disease later in life by the motto "better safe than sorry". But is it really that simple?

This TV-concept is designed to give a broad audience insight into and inspire debate about a complex but important part of modern society: Our health system and how it works. While most people at first agree that we should try to save as many lives as possible, the consensus seems to disappear when people

realize that every time one person is saved from cancer or cardiovascular disease, unavoidably many more are overdiagnosed suffering the consequences of unnecessary treatment that in itself can cause serious illness, invalidation and even death. We are making people sick in the pursuit of health.

To the cast and audience, the numbers are often shocking and eye-opening, as the facts are presented by medical experts throughout the program and the dilemmas only intensify, as the cast themselves must decide whether they want a preventive examination of their blood pressure, cholesterol or risk of cancer.

Atmosphere

The format suits all kinds of crime. We experienced that the agitated debate, were as hot and wild during discussions on vigilante homicides and bank robbery on minors, as on relatively small theft by a home nurse or a smuggler of hashish. We also manage to take very emotional cases like sexual assault on a very small minor, and the drink -

driving costing a young mother and her 2 children their lives.

No matter what case we chose, the debate amongst the judges - and by the viewers on the internet - got extremely heated, but yet sober - as we all agree the subject of the matter is very, very serious - and thus gives the program an intensity of importance and urgency making you need to see; what were the real verdict.

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Run Down

In all 8 programs the judges – having seen the exact same reconstruction – varied in wildly in their sentences. In the case of the hashish smuggler, 4 judges wanted to let him go, with a minor slap on the wrist, as 2 wanted prison for 10 years! In case of knife stabbing into mortal danger 2 judges wanted to give the assailant probation, where 4 wanted 6 years of prison. Even the home nurse thief split the judges in two arguing parties. Here the issue that it should be a migrating circumstance, that she were a single mother, got the crazy wild argument. Does that excuse her crime? But who will gain from taking a mother from her 2 children – placing them in an orphanage during her jail time?

We decided upon 8 different types of crimes for the season, and then researched crimes, that also had turning points – migrating and aggravating, to make sure the viewers and our 8 judges of the day, got the feeling of reading and reacting reaction to what could have been front page news in the tabloid.

Then they got to know circumstances that put the crime in a more human perspective.

And finally they were forced to participate and take into account, that others – with the exact same citizen rights – might disagree strongly, as the emotions arguments clashed with the rational.

Sales History

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