

## Public safety should take priority

I am just reading about an Ontario Court Justice dismissing a driving with excess blood alcohol charge because it appears police were in violation by not returning a turban to the accused within a three-hour time line.

In the report, lawyer Daniel Brown is quoted as stating ?. . . Serious consequences such as dismissing a criminal case is sometimes the only way to change improper police conduct.?

Really? This appears to me to be two separate cases.

First, deal with the excess blood alcohol charge, as that is very serious.

Second, if the police didn't not follow protocol and need to be called on it through charges, proceed with that as a separate case. But that requires work and it is so much easier to just dismiss the current case in an attempt to get back at the police. But what about us, John Q. Public? What about our rights to safe streets? Your Honor, you are not satisfying the safety interests of the public here, but rather continuing my view of how messed up our judicial system is.

I left Peel Police in 1981 after only three years on as a cop because of how bad our judicial system was then, and because of people like this justice are trying to prove a point to Peel Police instead of doing their job and protecting the public, nothing has changed.

Cases against Peel Police regarding possible racial discrimination should not be at the expense of public safety.

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