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Scenario

Sometimes it is blatantly obvious that the law is an ass! However upon closer examination, the law is sometimes blinkered and stymied by defendants, witnesses and the interpretation they place upon events or circumstances.

This play looks at 3 very different means of determining the facts in a case and the resultant 'point of view' obtained.

Method 1 Standard Jury

Method 2 Community Jury (based upon African law
http://www.aidainc.net/Publications/ij_systems.htm)

Method 3 Electronic AI Judge, Jury and witnesses

The idea is that everyday re-enactments are put through all three systems and the differences used to create debate over each method.

Offences against the person act 1861

Subordinate role in group or gang Leading role in group or gang

Section 18

Section 20

Cast

Judge

Defendant A

Community members (2)

AI Unit "CJ"

Defendant B

1 Lawyer

Defendant C

1 Mother

Defendant D

1 Vicar, 1 Priest, 1 Iman

Act I – Scene 1

In a classic courtroom, Judge, Jury, Defendants

Up stage Centre Judge on raised dais

Down stage Centre Defendants (facing judge, sitting)

"What you have all committed is a heinous crime committed by four full grown against 1 individual. This group systematically set about the victim each inflicting GBH with intent, premeditation and acting as a combined force."

"It has been proven that each of the five (gang members) were present"

"The prosecution have ably demonstrated that each of the four were witnessed attending the nightclub and subsequently entering the toilet where the affray took place."

"I sentence you all to 9 years in prison", this should be done singularly

All four groan and hang their heads, cries from the families

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Act II

Scene I

In a community hall with the elder's community group and the defendants sitting talking

Scene II

The group's spokesperson stands and walks to the Down Stage Centre

"Having spoken to each of the defendants in turn followed by a community discussion, we find that a code of silence exists"

"By interviewing each in turn, it turns out that only two of the gang set about the victim as part of a misguided defence of one of the gang. These facts were obtained because the discussions are not legally binding, however our decision is. "

"Bullying of the other two members has resulted in a lack of evidence to separate the two lads who did not participate. It has been revealed that intimidation of the families of the two inactive members has taken place. This degree of social bullying is akin to 1960's gang related pressures of the 20th century."

"We find two of the group guilty of GBH but without premeditation, but with intent."

"One of the group guilty of ABH, but committed through peer pressure. This mitigation should result in some leniency here and that leniency is formally requested."

"One of the group took no part in the assault, but was involved in the initial catalyst for the affray but with no intent to begin or occasion an assault."

"We pass the matter to sentencing by a court of law."

Defendant A 9 Years

Defendant B 9 Years

Defendant C 3 Years

Defendant D Free to go

Defendants A and B hang their heads

Defendant C smirks

Defendant D punches the air

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Act III

5 Short interviews akin to community interviews between CJ and each defendant

CJ: I am a Quantum computer linked to the following interfaces and inputs:

- Video interviews of each defendant and witnesses
- 5G Networking nationwide
 - Local 5G CCTV IN Home, Offices, Shops, Night Clubs and Streets
 - Fitbits (now worn by law), with lie detection ability
 - Criminal Records and Evidence
 - CCTV evidence from all phones from within the crime area (on or not, both visual and audio)
 - Medical Records of all concerned
 - Vehicle journey data of all concerned (cars, taxis, Uber and buses etc.
 - All conversation recorded during interface with AI, Car, Phone, Security Systems, Siri, Android, Google etc.
 - All social media posts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc) of all concerned
 - Washing machine chemical analysis of all concerned
 - Bank Accounts of all concerned
- My AI unit (brain) is capable of determining truth via physical response analysis via FitBit readings during questioning. I am also capable of cross referencing material, evidence and statements without human intervention.

CJ: There is no doubt that all four defendants attended the venue and that all five were present in the room where the affray took place. CCTV footage, Infrared CCTV footage, CCTV linkage to each mobile device and FitBit (determines precise location of individuals), social media posts all correlate that evidence.

Defendants A and B it finds guilty of common assault albeit acting on the defence of Defendant D.

Defendant C is has actually been determines as the ringleader and incited the violence

Defendant D is a passive member of the group committing no offence, but the security guard is guilty of an offence due to the unwarranted assault on Defendant D

“Our sentencing recommendations are:

Defendant A 6 Years

Defendant B 6 Years

Defendant C 12 Years

Defendant D Free to go

Defendants A and B hang their heads

Defendant C gets angry with threats at the screen which he punches

Defendant D punches the air

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ACT IV

An enactment of the crime and events leading up to it

Four young friends arrive at a nightclub already the worse for wear. Upon entry, more drinking, during which time defendant C has their drink spiked. Whilst carrying the incoherent friend to the toilet, they are spotted by a bouncer. Upon entry to the toilet Defendant D blocks the doorway while they try to make their friend sick and remove whatever it is they have drunk.

The bouncer, suspecting foul play, barges open the door and takes defendant D by the head trapping him them in a headlock.

All the friends leap to the defence of the friend trying to get the bouncer to release them. The bouncer is a very large arrogant man and not prone to discussion.

More bouncers arrive to discover the four friends all over the bouncer and they are all pinned down and the police called.

The original bouncer then tells a malicious story which is that he was attacked for no reason by all four people having threatened him before.

Scene I

Bouncer and Defendant C meet in a pub where there is an altercation between them and the indignant Defendant C is thrown out on his ear.

Scene II

Four arriving at club (revelry drunkenness prevails) – centre walkway into stage leading to...

Scene III

Drunken banter and lewdness at club (continues up to the bar), with re-enactment of drink being spiked. Defendant C starts to slur and drops to the floor (A plan has formed in his mind). Entering toilet after Defendant C is spiked by drink, Defendant C makes it look like he is unwilling to be carried attracting the attention of the bouncer.

Scene V

Bouncer rams door open and assaults Defendant D trapping them in a head lock

Scene VI

Defendant C goads A and B into attacking Bouncer rather than calming matter down.

End with ambulance, police sirens fading out..... to Casualty tune