

How Effective Are Grand Juries? We Ask Fresno County Superior Court Judge Robert Oliver

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The recent killings of two unarmed black men at the hands of white police officers in Ferguson Missouri and New York City have brought the issue of race and law enforcement to the headlines.

But they've also brought the ancient institution of the grand jury to the national spotlight, after similar bodies in both states declined to bring charges against the officers involved.

Some have questioned the effectiveness of these secret panels, yet they remain an important part of our legal system today. The soon-to-retire Judge Robert Oliver of the [Fresno County Superior Court](#) joins Valley Edition host Joe Moore to tell us more about the grand jury system

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