

## Law & Chaos

### Cast

NARRATOR / DEFENDANT (Mr. Guilty Before Trial):

BAILIFF:

LAWYER (Mr. Green):

JUDGE:

PROSECUTOR (Mr. Jim Crow):

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I hope u know I c u Yeah u  
Sitting there hiding behind ur preconceived  
thoughts about who u think I am, what I  
did what I've became how I started  
perhaps how I will die  
while never considering my life

Told me silence was the key so Zip it  
Exact words were I'll handle it.

BAILIFF

Calling case number C758942 The people  
of New York City VS the 2-time convicted  
felon that's guilty before trial.

LAWYER

Good morning your honor, I am Jeremy  
Green.  
I will be defending my 76th client this  
morning off 4-hrs of sleep with hopes that  
the court won't recommend more than a  
10-year sentence for a crime that carries  
the maximum punishment of 2-years

JUDGE

Good morning, Mr. Green. Will the  
prosecution care to proceed?

PROSECUTOR

Yes, your honor, good morning, Jim Crow, representing the free city of New York. My office will show without a shadow of a doubt how the defendant, Mr. Guilty-Before-Trial, is dressed in dirty wrinkled jeans, urban boots, & a hooded sweatshirt that may have been worn in an open case robbery, although we're here today for a domestic dispute.

LAWYER

Objection.

JUDGE

And under what ground do u wish to object, Mr. Green?

LAWYER

Your Honor, the prosecution failed, with intent, to disclose my client's unwavering focus to equip himself & assist those of like-minds with the necessary weaponry to fortify themselves against the bipartisan bitch we call liberty.

JUDGE

Objection sustained. Mr. Jim Crow, please proceed.

PROSECUTOR

Thank you, your Honor.

The prosecution will expeditiously display how Mr. Guilty Before Trial chose to willingly ignore the set plan for him & those people cattled to the appropriate section of the ghetto.

The laws of our forefathers were shredded when this defiant defendant miraculously overcame the systematic

oppression that was methodically woven into the unconscious minds of our fine tax paying citizens—

LAWYER

Objection, your Honor.

JUDGE

Yes, Mr Green?

LAWYER

The prosecution failed to expose my client's prior criminal activities although they have absolutely nothing to do with the case at hand.

JUDGE

Sustained, Mr Crow please continue.

PROSECUTOR

Thank you, your Honor.

Ladies & Gentlemen of the jury, the prosecution will clearly lay out how the defendant, Mr. Guilty Before Trial, is accused of thinking on his own accord blatantly undermining the rhetorical propaganda perpetuated throughout the school system, court system, jail system...

Your Honor, I would further like to highlight how the defendant is a member of an underground think-tank that has been bubbling with ambition to reach brilliant minds by way of literary jargon in addition to Shakespearean Sonnets.

Your Honor the people would like to seek the harshest punishment fit for the crime. The prosecution rests its case.

JUDGE

This is heating up, Mr Green. Will the defense care for rebuttal?

LAWYER

Thank you, your Honor. In light of my client's past unlawful acts of striving to awaken the sleeping minds of society's downtrodden, Mr. Guilty Before Trial has paid his dues by participating in black-on-black crime, alcohol consumption as a minor, and frequently indulges in the use of marijuana befogging his mental capabilities.

PROSECUTOR

Objection.

JUDGE

Yes, Mr. Crow?

PROSECUTOR

The defense is sugar coating the defendant's actions.

JUDGE

Overruled. Please proceed Mr. Green.

LAWYER

As I was saying the defense wishes to highlight without prejudice how my client was not only participating in truancy but had influenced many of his peers to also ditch the state's curriculum.

Your Honor, my client is a troubled boy trapped in a man's body & for these said offenses we humbly plead for mercy. The defense rests its case.

DEFENDANT

Your Honor—

JUDGE

State your name for the record please.

DEFENDANT

Guilty Before Trial.

JUDGE

You may proceed, Mr Guilty.

DEFENDANT

Your Honor I'm not ashamed that I grew up in a single parent household raised by my mother. She played the role of my sister, father, and brother, & I am fully aware that the court is displeased about my mother graduating with honors, failing to fall victim to any degree of substance abuse.

In fact, she is guilty of encouraging me to live a healthy proactive lifestyle.

Guilty of loving & protecting me,  
shielding me from the woes of this world  
Guilty of—being my friend  
Guilty of—being my enemy.

My mother was guilty of being a strong positive proactive woman who prepared my punctual pragmatic mind to read the signs & endure the test of time.

PROSECUTOR

Objection!

JUDGE

Overruled! Please continue Mr. Guilty.

DEFENDANT

Your Honor, I never claim to know all the answers, in fact I stand my ground in stating that I hardly know anything when considering the vast amount of information life has to offer.

But I will say this...I opened my eyes as an infant to the bars surrounding my crib

To the protection of bars/guards on my windows

To the bars encaging the projects where I lived

To the bars of squad cars taking me far

To the bars of prison cells yards

Your Honor I was destined to fail without prejudice.

Over packed classrooms

Underpaid teachers

Crack was sold in the library

My Whole Foods came from half priced discount stores.

Discount prices  
equal discounted nutrition

Equals discounted fruition  
Because my plan wasn't planning  
My vision was cloudy  
I was never clear about my options  
It was a fad to be rowdy

I never knew how to conceptualize  
Then compartmentalize  
The inner Rize  
To be a better guy

Still, I Rise  
From chains, whips & slaves ships  
My identity was stolen so I named myself  
Creating a perfect imperfection.

Yes, I framed myself.

Mr. Jim Crow  
We the people do hereby recognize  
That we are not equal  
That the status quo  
Must go  
In order for us to show  
We glow  
This is why I am not grown  
I grow

Mr. Green,  
Whomever implemented into law  
That ineffective assistance of counsel is  
grounds for termination  
Should be admired

Sir, u are now fired!..