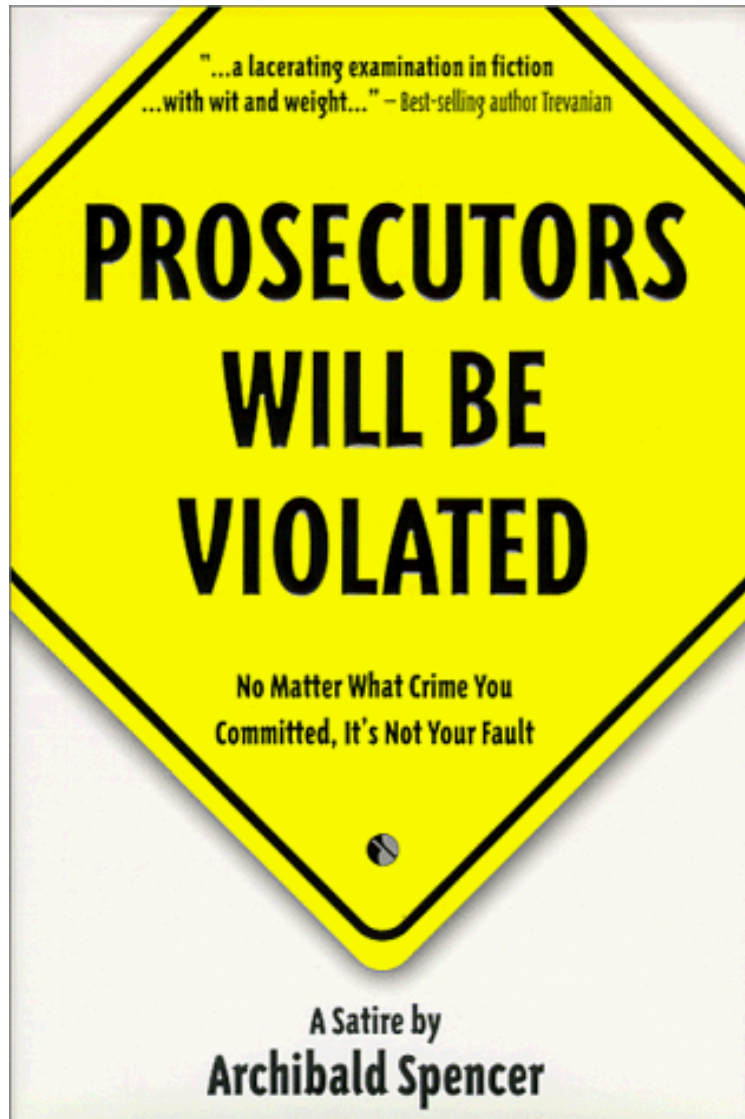


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town. I decided, just for the heck of it, to get my hands on his book and was glad I did. It was quite enjoyable. I think a lawyer would get the biggest laugh out of it, but I did enjoy it. Tried to get my hands on another book he wrote but it is out of print, darn.

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By A Customer

The book is a tongue-in-cheek romp through a parody of today's legal system. Each chapter deals with a new character whom sleazy lawyer Ashley Blackwood must defend for the nefarious crime he or she has almost certainly committed. And Ashley is very creative in doing just that! In fact, he can twist and turn the law beyond recognition. Sound familiar? It will to anyone today who wonders, at times, what our legal system is coming to. The author develops each character with meticulous and subtle detail. Although the characters are entirely fictional, the reader will, no doubt, see the resemblance to some very famous (and infamous) defendants. The writing is modern and sophisticated. A very funny book! The reader will keep turning the pages to see what impossible case the next client will bring to Ashley and how Ashley will get him off! The action is seen through the eyes of Attorney Blackwood's worshipful assistant. At the end of each case, Ashley summarizes his work with a Rule of how to defeat the system in such cases.

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By Ronald Bierbaum

Well written, good fun. An ideal gift for any lawyer

Disgusted by sleazy defense attorneys? Think some criminals get off easy? Wait until you see how the greedy and corrupt California attorney Ashley Blackwood handles his cases. Follow the trials of Henri Laval, the murderous hockey star, Ramona Krafft, who videotaped the mutilation of her husband's private parts, and "Machine-Gun" Marty Vickers, the postal employee who left a trail of dead and dying on the streets of San Francisco. Ashley's senior associate, Knute Rockne Olsen, thinks Ashley's a great man. What do you think? Hold tight as author Archie Spencer takes you on a satirical joyride through California's criminal justice system.

REVIEWER'S BOOKWATCH, June 1999

Archibald Spencer's *Prosecutors Will Be Violated* is a wry, satiric tour-de-force about sleazy California criminal attorney Ashley Blackwood and his most sensational trials. The narrator is Ashley's sycophantic and laughably obtuse associate who unwillingly exposes Ashley as a lawyer who flaunts the law, ethics, and morality in his pursuit of six-figure fees...Rarely has the judicial system...been so brilliantly satirized and engagingly showcased. --James A. Cox Copyright 1999, er's Bookwatch. All rights reserved.

THE REGISTER-GUARD, EUGENE, OR, June 1999

*Prosecutors Will be Violated*...is a tongue-in-cheek spoof of our system of law and the quirks of those who practice it. But it's more than that. Spencer's satire benefits from the insights he gained in a lifetime of practicing civil law. His main character, Ashley Blackwood, is a caricature of the crafty criminal defense lawyer who will do anything to win...The narrator is one of Blackwood's toady underlings, Knute Rockne Olsen, a lawyer whose inflated prose damns both his boss and the criminal justice system. Rather than follow a single storyline, Olsen tracks Blackwood's unsavory tactics through a series of trials, each with an outcome more outrageous and implausible than the earlier ones. There is Ramona Krafft, a dimwitted Lorena Bobbitt clone who is freed on appeal of a conviction for mutilating her husband because her life was shaped by the unreality of television talk shows and sitcoms -- the real guilty parties...And Marty Vickers, a letter carrier accused of the machine-gun massacre of 14 people; in this case, Blackwood shifts the blame to inept bureaucrats who failed to stop him before he flipped out....There are other similar cases in this delightful satire...--Arnold Ismach. Copyright 1999, The Register-Guard. All rights reserved.

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"The current three-ring-circus, justice-to-the-highest-bidder character of the American legal system begs for a lacerating examination in fiction, and Archie Spencer has given us just that, a book with wit and weight."

MINNESOTA LAW POLITICS MAGAZINE, June-July 1999...Archibald Spencer's first book is biting satire --combining a discerning vocabulary, delicious irony and tantalizing spoofs to both make fun of and demand a change in the criminal justice system...The book consists of a series of loosely connected trials and incidents in the career of Blackwood, whose success is based on the premise that 'no matter what crime you committed, it's nor your fault.' Ashley believes that there is an excuse for every crime. When a dull-witted teenager shoots and kills a congressman in broad daylight, Blackwood successfully argues that 'society pulled the trigger.'...The absurd world of *Prosecutors Will Be Violated*, where ethics and personal responsibility are replaced by self-pity and greed, is aptly portrayed. --Michael O. Freeman. Copyright 1999, Minnesota Law Politics. All rights reserved. --

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Archie Spencer graduated from Harvard College with the degree of summa cum laude in English. He went on to Harvard Law School and spent his next 35 years practicing corporate law with the firm of Best Flanagan in Minneapolis, where he was its managing partner. Archie has served as chair of committees of the Minnesota State Bar Association and as an officer and director of numerous civic organizations, including The Loft, the largest writers' group in the United States. He took early retirement in 1990 to write full-time and has published several stories. *Prosecutors Will Be Violated* is his first book. Archie is also a pianist and has composed sonatas for piano and songs for piano and voice. He was born in Milan, Italy, and has lived in the United States all his adult years.