

POLICE ORDER No. 92

Instruction to I. O. while taking over charge of an Investigation. An instance has come to notice in which a Police Officer taking charge of the investigation of a case from another officer, re-examined the witnesses already examined by the latter and recorded their statements showing glaring discrepancies with their evidence already in the diary. This gave a death blow to the prosecution which had to fail on that account. Re-examination of witnesses is not illegal but should not certainly be taken recourse to for the purpose of demolishing the prosecution case which would mean corruption.

All officers are warned to be careful in this respect. Superior officers will take serious notice of any such instance which is or is suspected to have been motivated by dishonesty.

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