

## **Happy Independence Day! Lawyers Fraternity of Pakistan.**

Well someday I'll be a lawyer.... someday, I'll bring justice to people who need it. Lawyers are either legalised liars... or saviours of the truth. But nobody has ever yet called a philosopher "a hired conscience," though everybody gives the lawyer this nickname. Why this partiality?"

I, being lawyer by third generation, when speaking of heritage. Not all of it is good and nor all of it is bad; for some people, it isn't all bad but for some of us; it's all bad. But often not of the ancestors' creation. But it's your job as a person of your ancestors' future is to evaluate it and select the good fruits and hold them dear but it's also your responsibility to know when to have enough common sense to cast the bad ones out.

We shouldn't forget that being lawyers, we're a higher breed of intellect, and so it's our privilege to not to lie. It's as clear as day. Animals can't even imagine lying: if you were to find yourself among some wild islanders, they too would only speak the truth until they learned about modern state culture.

Any lawyer with a conscience always speaks the truth. A lawyer can and should practice law in a scrupulous manner, but some dishonest lawyers disregard ethical mandates in order to win. Unethical lawyers shape their client's stories, which is a fancy way of assisting them tell a fib. Remember, I don't get paid to be nice. I get paid to be right. The truth, in the right hands, can be a very flexible tool. That is why, in the course of human history, truth-telling has been designated as the highest of virtues in every culture, and why the credibility that results therefrom is always so powerful.

"Must you argue everything?"

"Yeah. I'm a lawyer."

"No, you shouldn't argue against facts or conceal anything from the court, is my answer."

When in court, the primary role of lawyers is not to prove or disprove innocence; unbeknown to almost all lawyers and their clients, it is to save the court time. Most cases are won and lost on their facts. We lawyers can only make any sort of difference in the small minority. Results are important, of course, but in the long run, things will always even themselves out. The better lawyers will win more cases than they lose, and the poorer will level the statistic. All that's expected of you is to do your very best. Be honest, fair and fearless, and you won't go far wrong.

To exist as an interpreter of the law, you first have to follow that law yourself. Law is the glue that holds society together. It's flawed, but absolute, and corruption only hinders its progress. For me, taking the sort of dry principles of the law and bringing them into contact with human beings . . . it's like you jump into hyperspace. And everything that's dull about the books and the theory becomes provocative.

One of the most common and most dangerous misbeliefs is that it is impossible for someone to be stupid just because they are a doctor or a lawyer. Lawmakers, who rarely have an insight of a truly progressive and civilized society, decide on the perimeters of law based on their biases and knacks, and rarely on actual scientific evidence. It's like asking the blind to show the path. So, for law to be of actual use in the society at our current evolutionary stage,

it must be cooked in the vessel of scientific findings with the fire of reasoning and compassion. You have to be an innovator and an expert of new ideas, new subjects and technologies.

The judicial wheel is rounded with equality, oiled with honour and functions smoothly with honesty-principally when both members of the Bench and Bar shoulder their responsibilities seriously. Justice isn't about fixing the past; it's about healing the past's future.

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