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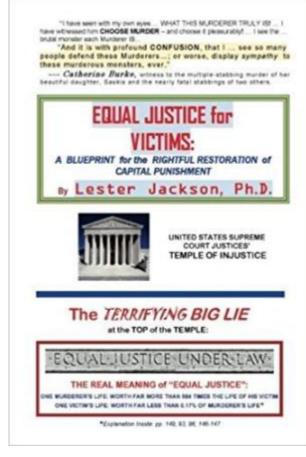
# **Equal Justice for Victims**

A Blueprint for the Rightful Restoration of Capital Punishment By Dr. Lester Jackson CreateSpace PB, 436 pgs. US\$39.99 ISBN: 1-5467-2015-4

# A strident voice for the voiceless

## By Steven Martinovich

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"It must be death penalty supporters' goal to convince the American people – and their representatives – that they should no longer accept the judiciary as fit to decide capital punishment sentencing cases, or indeed fit to decide anything of importance. We must shield the law-abiding not only from lawless predators but from lawless judges and justices who protect them."

So is the declared mission statement of Dr. Lester Jackson, author of the recently released effort *Equal Justice for Victims: A Blueprint for the Rightful Restoration of Capital Punishment*, a withering assault on those he accuses of subverting the American constitution, murder victims and those left behind by gradually chipping away at the use of the death penalty. Few are spared his ire with the US Supreme Court leading the way thanks to rulings that he argues have made it virtually impossible to secure a death sentence for those who murder the innocent.

Jackson states that although the US has been made a pariah on the issue of the death penalty by nations who

disapprove of its use, the reality of its employment in America is less common than most would suppose. "Between 1972 and 2014, there were 1,392 executions for 813,400 murders" – or about 0.17% -- while in Texas, allegedly a death penalty happy state, "[b]etween 1972 and 2014...there were 518 executions for 73,518 murders", translating to about 0.7%. Essentially, he maintains, that someone committing murder in the United States has nearly a 100% chance of avoiding the death penalty.

The primary cause for this, states Equal Justice for Victims, is a US Supreme Court judiciary that

has actively subverted a constitution which explicitly permits capital sentences in several places. Employing tortured logic, something that even the more honest of the death penalty opponents on the highest court in the land have admitted to in their rulings, they somehow determined that capital punishment should be limited in scope and usage. Where once no one was immune to the ultimate punishment, writes Jackson, the court has issued multiple rulings which have made it difficult to apply to even the most egregious of offenders.

Even worse, he argues, the justices have made attacks on the standby to the death penalty, the sentence of life without parole. The justices have ruled and discussed in their writings that a *true* life sentence may be overdoing it to those who show little compunction of levying their own death penalties on the innocent.

It is not only the justices, however, that are targets for Jackson's withering pen. Those he describes bluntly as "Pro Murderer", criminal defense attorneys, politicians, activists and even family members of victims who oppose the death penalty, employ every sophistry and intellectual or emotional trick to advance their cause. Those like Sister Helen Prejean, made famous by Hollywood treatment *Dead Man Walking*, refuse to consider the horrific crimes of those they advocate for or openly dismiss the suffering caused.

*Equal Justice for Victims* is openly and unapologetically passionate – or as Jackson's critics would argue, strident – in arguing that the use of the death penalty must be radically expanded for the crime of murder. Jackson details the resistance he's faced from both opponents and proponents of the death penalty. Editors ostensibly in favour of the death penalty have refused his essays while supporters have refused to combine their efforts to create a truly national movement to pressure politicians and courts to take into account the opinion of a majority of Americans – not to mention the original intent of the country's constitutions.

Jackson argues that supporters of the death penalty need to become much more active and, in his words, wage war against their opponents. He advocates that many of the same tactics used by death penalty opponents, such as delegitimizing them, need to be employed. Politicians who stand against the death penalty need to lose at the ballot box and the power of the judiciary to ignore written law and the will of the people needs to be circumscribed. This is not, he says, a battle to be fought decently.

While the self-published *Equal Justice for Victims* would have benefited a bit from more professional layout and a bit of editing to tighten it up, there is no denying the sheer passion that Dr. Lester Jackson brings to the subject. Advocates for the death penalty often come across as slightly apologetic, almost as embarrassed by the ramifications of what they are arguing for, but the same cannot be said for Jackson. Unlike those people, virtually every page of his book drips with figurative outrage on behalf of those who no longer have a voice. To the topic he brings both intellectual and emotional artillery and a game plan that arguably would bring far more success to his movement then those who consider themselves his allies.

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Buy *Equal Justice for Victims* at Amazon.com <u>here</u>.

[ Equal Justice for Victims: A Blueprint for the Rightful Restoration of Capital Punishment ]

### BRILLIANT; HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

By joel angel on July 26, 2018

Format: Paperback Verified Purchase

Brilliant and easily understandable compilation of massive information. Amazingly well-organized, thoroughly documented yet easy-to-read, well written analysis of a complex subject. A must-read for anyone concerned about the harm inflicted by the United States Supreme Court; and a must-read for all who have been or will be affected by violent crime caused by the Supreme Court. Solution presented. Author deeply admires Justice Antonin Scalia, but is a convincing critic.

Reflects deep knowledge and years of extremely hard work. Would be worth buying at even three times the price.

William Harper

October 27, 2017

#### 5.0 out of 5 stars

## **All Surviving Victims Want Justice**

I am one of the victims Dr. Jackson is writing about in this much-needed book. I'm one who gets to suffer at least annually but far more than one day. My son Brian Patrick was murdered in a convenience store holdup. Every year for the past 32 years I now sit alone and try to replicate that day I lost my son. Four years ago, one of my grandsons, named Brian Joel, was murdered in his home. Again, the ritual begins. Yes, I am one of the victims Dr. Jackson is writing about in this much-needed book. I am one of those for whom there still has no feeling of justice being served – exactly as Dr. Johnson cites in case after horrific case in Equal Justice for Victims. I commend this book to all people – those who are currently victims and for those who, God bless you, someday will be. William T. Harper, College Station, Texas

============Catherine BurkeNovember 11, 2017

5.0 out of 5 stars

# Only the Death Penalty will protect every citizen, and every person should read this to KNOW WHY!

I am Catherine Burke, the Murder Victim Dr. Jackson quoted in his book, "Equal Justice for Victims". The time has come for Victims to band together, let our voices be heard, and fight for EQUAL JUSTICE. Dr. Jackson's book is the guide we need to follow to ensure that every Victim will have equal rights to the murderer under the law, inside the courtroom, and that VICTIMS RIGHTS will be recognized EQUALLY from the Supreme Court down to the State and local courts!

Our murderer planned to kill, took classes to prepare to kill, collected weapons to kill, broke into our home and MURDERED MY DAUGHTER SASKIA while trying to kill everyone in our home, and when he failed to do so, this murderer used his

escape plan... After all this, our murderer WAS THE ONLY ONE TO DECIDE 'if and when' we go to trial, and finally, OUR MURDERER DECIDED HIS OWN SENTENCE!

MY CIVIL RIGHTS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED, but no one cares because under the current law, ONLY THE MURDERER HAS RIGHTS.

Dr. Jackson has outlined in his book exactly what is happening inside the so called "Justice System", and he has given Victims the resource WE NEED to change this corrupt and broken system. I ask everyone to read Dr. Jackson's book and to get involved with the Victim's Movement we are right now forming -

Murder took everything from me. The life of my child, my future grandchildren -MY FUTURE! 12-20-2011 my life became forever entwined with the murderer, simply because 'he lives'... MY VOICE was never heard, MY CHOICE meant nothing in a court of law - my 'VITIMS RIGHTS' under the current "Marsy's Law" were violated by the District Attorney's office of Riverside County because "Marsy's Law" is only a piece of paper with words on it until it can be defended!

I am Catherine Burke, MURDER VICTIM. And Dr. Jackson's book will change the future for ALL VICTIMS!

http://amzn.to/2B1pp32 https://www.amazon.com/gp/review/R3PTLR8UT9X435?ref\_=glimp\_1rv\_cl

<u>Although I'm not a victim of someone murdered I have always ...</u> 5.0 out of 5 stars gregory kolaranda on January 10, 2018

Although I'm not a victim of someone murdered I have always felt that those who are have been pushed aside along with the murdered victim and there is more concern for the murderer. I sympathize with them and I feel this book brilliantly addresses this and many other issues including the need for capital punishment and the corruption of those trying to stop it.

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CHERISH THOSE WHO SEEK THE TRUTH BUT BEWARE OF THOSE WHO FIND IT. Book Review: Equal Justice For Victims – Lester Jackson, Ph.D. Posted on January 13, 2018 by TMH.

By: Terresa Monroe-Hamilton

#### Purchase at: <u>http://amzn.to/2yMDcuu</u>

Recently, I had the honor and privilege of reading "Equal Justice for Victims: A Blueprint for the Rightful Restoration of Capital Punishment," by Lester Jackson, Ph.D. It's a fantastic book that covers capital punishment and why it is needed more today than ever before. Long time readers of mine know that I am a big fan of capital punishment, so this book is right up my alley, so to speak.

One of the things that has always bothered me as our legal system has become progressively more liberal, is the lack of actual justice for victims of vicious criminals. Many times, it seems that the legalistic sympathies lie more with those who have committed heinous crimes than the victims they have killed or damaged irreparably. This book addresses that issue in depth.

Far too often politicians decide the fates of both the aggrieved and the transgressors. Judges many times are put into positions because of political connections rather than a glowing track record

of following the precepts of the rule of law. They care not at all about those who are the victims of the beasts among us and justice tends to go in the direction that benefits a political agenda rather than to assuage the grief and hurt of the victims and their families caught up in brutal crimes. This is an excellent book that highlights all of that by a brilliant and gifted author. I highly recommend it.

Amazon's Synopsis for "Equal Justice for Victims: A Blueprint for the Rightful Restoration of Capital Punishment":

Equal Justice for Victims A Blueprint for the Rightful Restoration of Capital Punishment by Lester Jackson Ph.D.

The title is based on two shocking facts, one never reported by the media: (1) the disgracefully scandalous official abuse of violent crime victims; and (2) the ghastly gap in the value placed on the lives of victims vs. barbaric criminals.

The rulers who abuse their power, by forcing their will on the unwilling, are passionately devoted to the most depraved violent criminals.

With contempt for murder victims and their suffering survivors, who are also victims, America's rulers have values vastly contrary to those of most decent people. In practice, our rulers consider the life of a convicted murderer to be worth far more than 584 times the life of his victim; and a victim's life to be worth far less than 0.17% of his or her murderer's.

Many millions of victimized survivors of murder victims believe it is long past due to provide Equal Justice for Victims. This book is written not only for them but also for anyone dedicated to justice, public safety and honest representative government; and who is repulsed by the current massive mockery of these widely accepted objectives.

Based on his training in American Government and Politics, Lester Jackson contends that capital punishment is a POLITICAL rather than a LEGAL issue. Politics involves conflicts between groups, interests and values. The death penalty clash is between victims and their vicious tormentors. The latter include not only convicted barbaric criminals but also their champions in and out of government.

Equal Justice for Victims describes evil and injustice. Good innocent human beings experience protracted excruciating suffering at the hands of not merely premeditated murderers, maimers and rapists, but also the people who love them, defend them and protect them, needlessly enabling additional savage crimes.

The defenders, protectors and enablers are at least as evil as those to whom they are so devoted. These include United States Supreme Court justices who (a) express deep concern for the most depraved and utter contempt for the most decent people; (b) save convicted premeditated rapists and murderers by lying about facts and law; (c) don't care about the additional depraved crimes and suffering that they knowingly cause; and (d) for the benefit of the guilty, subject the innocent to unspeakable, unending and unnecessary agony. Because such justices know, or should know, exactly what they do, they are the epitome of pure evil.

Justices on today's Supreme Court have declared war on public safety. In order to do so, they have declared war on the people's right to self-government by dishonestly and arrogantly usurping the Constitutional powers of elected representatives.

EJV has three parts.

The first part describes the death penalty's conflicting political combatants.

The second part explains why one side has prevailed over the other. Although the author considers the late Justice Antonin Scalia to have been one of the greatest justices ever, this book also is critical of Scalia.

The final and most important part explains how to compel this country's rulers to adopt a policy that values the lives of past and potential victims of savagery at least as highly as those of savages. The solution can only be political. Political justices must be fought in the political arena. It must be made clear to the public that the United States Supreme Court decides the most controversial cases on the basis of politics rather than law. It is imperative that the public understand that the most activist justices are politicians with same low integrity associated with politicians.

EJV details a political campaign to educate the public about the Supreme Court's fraudulent illegitimacy. The worst justices concede that they would fail if The People refuse to accept their "demands." The People must be persuaded to declare that enough is enough and, therefore, to demand that their elected officials put an end to unlawful and unconstitutional judicial "demands."

The background of the author is also impressive:

Lester Jackson, Ph.D. (political science) is a former college teacher (for example: City College of New York, Rutgers University and New York University). The author has written numerous articles about capital punishment, the United States. Supreme Court and American politics. His articles have appeared in the Wall Street Journal, Accuracy in Media, the highly regarded American Thinker (18 articles), Intellectual Conservative, Red State, Western Journalism, Free Republic and elsewhere.

After years studying the United States Supreme Court, Dr. Jackson came to agree with University of Texas Law Professor Lino A. Graglia that "constitutional law" has virtually nothing to do with the United States Constitution. In other words, what passes for "constitutional law" is mostly fabrication and fiction.

Dr. Jackson's writing has received accolades from Prof. Graglia and many others, including experts, victims, editors and general readers. For example, Prof. Graglia has described the author's prior work as "...very impressive ... well written and argued ... enormous amount of research."

The late great Justice Antonin Scalia complained that his colleagues abuse of power was limited only by their "sense of what [they could] get away with." Long ago, Dr. Jackson concluded that activist Supreme Court justices could not succeed if the public were aware of their arrogance and dishonesty. Dr. Jackson views himself as a translator into plain English of what Scalia called "gobbledy-gook." Thus, readability is his top goal. But that does not require sacrificing proof. Because deceitful Supreme Court power abuses are so shocking and so unbelievable, the author documents every factual statement he makes.

Over the years, Dr. Jackson has tried to present the plight of judicially tortured grieving survivors of murder victims, who are also victims, despite the denial of that obvious fact by Justice John Paul Stevens and his cohorts. Dr. William A. Petit, Jr. wrote to Dr. Jackson: "Thank you very much for your very well written and cogent remarks on the death penalty and victims... I truly appreciate you defending we the victims-very few people do; at least very few people do so publicly. There is very little truth out there about the DP, mainly obfuscation... You have clearly hit the mark and have stated the case well."

Victims need to stand together for reform in the legal and judicial systems of this country. There should be the harshest penalties that can be imposed on those that attack, hurt and murder others. The death penalty has its place in this country and it serves as not only a deterrent, but the ultimate form of justice.

Dr. Jackson speaks for the victims here of others and he speaks for justice. This book is a must read not only for the victims of crime, but for all out there interested in justice and the rule of law. I highly recommend it. You can get a copy at <u>http://amzn.to/2yMDcuu</u>.