



CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

1 Individual complaint

Sometimes people steal things or do harm to other people. If this happens, the police should know about it.

3 Indictment by the prosecutor

If the police collects enough information on the suspect (the person who probably did harm), (s)he is indicted. This means that (s)he will have to go to court and answer to a lot of questions.

5 Hearing by a judge

During the hearing witnesses and experts and also the suspect are interviewed. Children can only be interviewed before the court if it is not too stressful for them.

7 Appeal procedure

If the perpetrator is not satisfied with the judgment, (s)he can ask another court to review this decision. The prosecutor can also ask the court to reconsider its judgment.

9 Implementation

The final judgment has to be put into practice. If the perpetrator was sentenced to imprisonment, (s)he has to go to prison.

2 Investigation by the police

Police officers are there to find out who did something wrong. If you know something about it, the police might want to talk to you about it, in the presence of your parents/legal guardian.

4 Arrest

In certain cases if there is a chance that the suspect will disappear, (s)he can be arrested, which means that (s)he has to go to jail until a court decision is taken in his/her case.

6 Judgment

At the end of the hearing the judge decides if the suspect (perpetrator) was the person who did those bad things.

8 Final judgment

It is the judgment that can not be reviewed anymore and is executable.

10 Reintegration and Rehabilitation

When the perpetrator's punishment is over and (s)he can leave the prison, the state has to help him/her to get back on track, help him/her find a job etc



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