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“CSI Effect” Reaches Real Courtrooms *Jurors influenced by law drama television*

DENVER, Colo. – The influence of the popular television shows "CSI" and "Law and Order" have permeated American courts. "CSI" can set standards for the infallibility of forensic evidence that prosecutors can't often meet -- a science-solves-all formula that millions of viewers may bring to jury service.

The "CSI Effect" is a TV-bred demand by jurors for high tech, indisputable forensic evidence before they will convict, but some courts and prosecutors just don't have the budget for such evidence. How does this influence the outcome of important criminal cases and cases involving the insanity plea?

WHO:

Lawyer and former forensic psychologist Dr. John Dicke. He handled criminal cases as a Public Defender and was a Regional Counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union. As a psychologist, Dicke was involved in complex forensic cases, including those of serial killers and rapists. Author of the novel "Proof Evident," a law drama thriller based on his experiences and cases as a lawyer and psychologist.

Dicke has appeared as an expert witness in more than 60 trials, was also featured on "The O'Reilly Factor," "Dateline NBC," "The Fox Report with Shepard Smith," and also MSNBC and CBS.

Dr. Dicke can discuss:

- . • The "CSI Effect" in criminal proceedings
- . • How jurors in criminal cases are influenced by law drama television shows
- . • The insanity plea in criminal cases
- . • The increase of insanity pleas among criminals
- . • Legal cases that used the defense effectively and those that failed using it
- . • Why jurors rarely believe the validity of the insanity plea
- . • Criminal proceedings and forensic evidence for insanity cases

To schedule an interview with Dr. John Dicke, or to request a review copy of Proof Evident, please contact Steven Morse of BookPros at (512) 478-2028 or smorse@bookpros.com.

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