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Are you paying attention to the pivotal court cases of 2015 and 2016? Do you know why police body cameras are not allowed for viewing in court, when the public paid for them? What are the laws that are allowing more than fifteen people claim that they have the rights to a portion of Prince's money? More laws are put on the books into cases each year, but is it inherently making society more restrictive? Let's take a look at a few of the past Historical and Hollywood cases, and see what conclusions that we may draw.

With the "Everybody Sucks"ⁱ 2016 Presidential Campaign underway, one can only think that there is a simple two party system. With the Libertarian party only being interviewed by third party sources such as 'The Joe Rogan Experience'ⁱⁱ or other nonmainstream podcasts, it is not difficult to see reality far from this. When looking deeper into the Presidential System, the Commission for Presidential Debates is, in fact, a private corporation. Right now the Democratic and Republican parties are forcing the Green and Libertarian parties out by not being allowed to be included in the mainstream debates. Understandably the Green and Libertarian parties are suing the Commission for Presidential Debates.ⁱⁱⁱ President Obama and Mitt Romney have joined forces to claim that the Committee is not aiding the Republican and Democratic parties^{iv} in being the only two parties that are allowed in the debates. "Virtually ignored by all but a handful of alternative media outlets, this suit has the power to destroy the existing political power structure — much like the ridesharing firms, Uber and Lyft, threaten the antiquated taxi industry."^v Paul Kirk, Democratic National Chairman of 1989, has even gone on record stating, "third party candidates *should* be excluded from the debates."^{vi} Inclusion on the stage of the national debates is an immediate qualifier for the American people.

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By allowing this process to be run by a private corporation, is the equivalent of allowing this 'democratic -republic' of America to be overtaken by undue influence. Only 17% of UCSD students even knew about this case going on right now, did you?^{vii}

Los Angeles Unified School District has been in the news a lot over recent years, from teacher's molesting their students in one way or another. Many of these cases are extremely hard to prove, and there is little to no evidence and others are very clear. But sometimes it is one person's word versus another. Very recently in May 2016, LAUSD has been ordered to pay four families a total of \$88 million for the 'no contest' plea of the abuse of four minors by their teacher.^{viii} After reading the court transcripts,^{ix} it is under my and the jury's belief, that this one teacher was guilty. However, this is not to understate the fact that there is nothing stopping people from filing lawsuits. Unfortunately only 20 hours after the LAUSD was ordered to pay their \$88 million settlement, another lawsuit was filed. In this case the now 24-year old male "several years of trauma, touching, sexual molestation and abuse and it was all due to this assistant principal."^x Should there be some sort of barrier to filing lawsuits? Probably no more than we should increase the background checks on teachers are LAUSD.

How certain cases are 'tied up' in court for a long period of time does not make sense to the average layperson. The famous James Brown died in 2006 with an estate worth more than \$100 million.^{xi} With legal battles beginning in 2007, and the trustees of Mr. Brown continually revised their opinions with legal fees draining the state value to less than \$8 million.^{xii} Another case of fighting over large estates has to do with Prince, and his family all claim some rights to his fortune. All of Prince's family has not come to any resolve over his estate, and, in fact, Prince's only full-blooded

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sister stormed out of the courtroom.^{xiii} It may just be human folly that pledges each of these terrible stories. Take Ke\$ha, discovered by Dr. Luke and allegedly taken advantage of her on multiple occasions and forced into an eating disorder to stay thin for her 'profile' in Hollywood.^{xiv} Whether it is men molesting women or people who have no money fight over their alleged rights to their family's fortune, human folly is to blame for much of the problems that we are faced with today, legally.

Human folly is clearly a large part to blame for a part of the American legal issues, while so are humans creating the law in the first place; where the laws created have inherent flaws and arguments. With all of these previous court cases creating issues publically, few items now allowed to be exalted by the masses. Bill Cosby has been in the news negatively for allegedly molesting women, and his career is never coming back.^{xv} I suppose all we can do is read more and educate ourselves so that new laws will benefit us, more than harm us.

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ⁱⁱ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KQIuHGbKckY>

ⁱⁱⁱ <http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/romney-obama-join-forces-in-lawsuit-against-debate-commission/article/2580665>

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