

# The Direction of the Speedy Trial Right in the Time of COVID-19



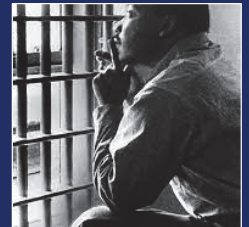
## SPEEDY TRIAL



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# PreTrial Writ from Texas Jails: Pandemic Justice Delayed and Pandemic Justice Denied



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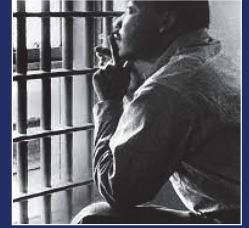
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**YOU CAN'T DO THAT!!!**



 **Rookie Mistake**

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## SIXTH AMENDMENT



In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the **right to a speedy** and public trial, by an **impartial jury** of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be **informed of the nature** and cause of the accusation; **to be confronted with the witnesses against him**; to have compulsory process for obtaining **witnesses in his favor**, and to have the Assistance of **Counsel** for his defence.

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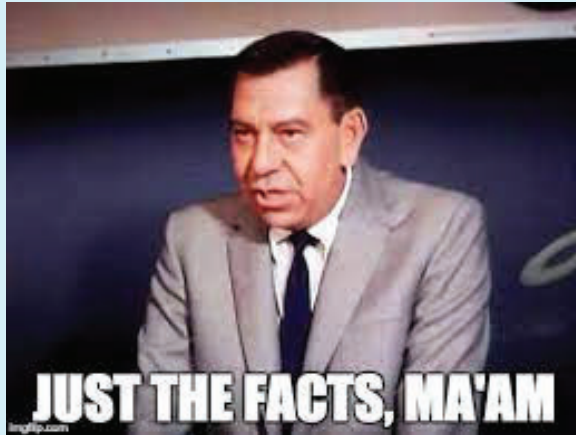
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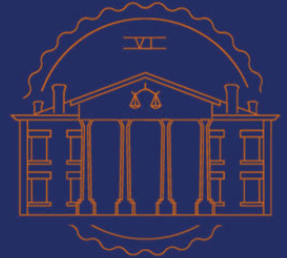
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## BARKER v WINGO

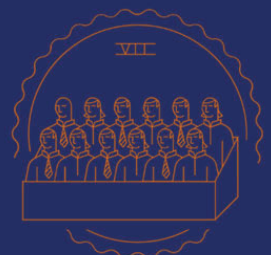
- Length of delay  
(the triggering factor for the balancing test)
- Reason for delay
- Defendant's assertion of right
- Prejudice to the defendant.

*Barker v. Wingo*, 407 U.S. 514, 530 (1972)

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