

# Ethical Responsibilities:

*Brady v. Maryland* | the Michael Morton Act | Disciplinary Rules


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Whether a prosecutor is obligated to disclose favorable evidence raises difficult legal and ethical questions.

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A prosecutor is more than an advocate. He must ensure that justice is done.

A trial is not a sporting contest, and the defendant is not a pawn in a game of chess.

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## Three Sources of Discovery Obligations in Texas Criminal Cases

- Constitutional
- Statutory
- Ethical Rules

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## Constitutional Disclosure

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