

The Opioid Dragon of Johnson & Johnson is Slayed. All Hail the Killing of the Not Guilty.

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The recent Johnson & Johnson case decided in Oklahoma is one where the courts decided that the solution to societies' frustration over the opioid crisis was to give society what they wanted: a bad guy to blame and then hang. The court picked Johnson & Johnson, railroaded the company with questionable legal analysis and then made sure at the end of the trial the bad guy would be hung to the cheers of the crowds. This paper looks at the consequences of allowing the legal system to forego its duty and side with the mob simply to be a hero. This paper will examine how the courts mislead the mob and why they did it, and why by allegedly solving this crisis, they may have created an even bigger problem.

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