

# Idealistic institute champions causes of misplayed justice

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WASHINGTON — Hardly anybody thought a Southern jury would order police officers, Ku Klux Klansmen and American Nazi Party members to pay damages to the families of people killed or injured when the Klan and Nazis clashed with a parade led by the Communist Workers Party. But that's what happened last year in Greensboro, N.C.

When Eddie Carthan — the first elected black mayor in the Mississippi Delta since Reconstruction — was charged with hiring two men to kill a political foe in Tchula, Miss., it seemed like an open and shut case. Only a Perry Mason could get him off. But, that is just what happened. In a dramatic courtroom scene, the real murderer cracked under cross examination and

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