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Judicial Verdict Challenges Bribery Prosecution Norms

Supreme Court Emphasizes Verification Prior to Traps

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In a landmark decision, the Supreme Court has reaffirmed that proving a public servant's guilt in bribery cases hinges crucially on verifying the initial demand for a bribe. The Court underscored that merely proving acceptance of a bribe is insufficient without establishing prior demand. The ruling emphasizes the need for investigating officers to meticulously verify the demand for bribery before initiating trap proceedings. This verification, often through recorded conversations...

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