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The Karnataka Prohibition of Violence against Advocates Act, 2023 (KPVA Act), officially took effect on June 10. Under this new law, anyone found guilty of committing an offence against a lawyer faces a prison term ranging from six months to three years, a fine of INR1 lakh, or both. Advocates often face threats and malicious prosecution from rival parties, which hampers their ability to perform their duties and disrupts the...

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