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Supreme Court Clears the Fog

Police Can File FIRs in Witness Threat Cases Without Court Nod

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In a significant ruling aimed at protecting witnesses from intimidation, the Supreme Court has made it clear that police do not need a written complaint from a court to register a case under Section 195A of the Indian Penal Code — the provision that criminalizes threats made to force a person to give false evidence.

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