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Supreme Court Ponders “Necessity to Arrest” Under PMLA

A New Judicial Scrutiny

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In a landmark decision, the Supreme Court has taken up the critical question of whether the necessity to arrest can serve as a legitimate ground to challenge detentions under Section 19 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA). A three-judge bench will delve into whether the Enforcement Directorate (ED) must justify the necessity of an arrest beyond merely having "reasons to believe" the accused is guilty. This follows an...

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